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Series 11, No 1888

Monday, January 4th, 2010

Philippine Collectors Update,
by Ray Czahor

1. Mailbid XIII was one of my most successful sales to date with over \$115,000 being awarded including over 100 lots sold after the sale closed. Twenty-one consignors realized over \$20,000 for their sales. At this point, I am down to two successful bidders who haven't paid and hope they do so before the end of the year. Final results have been posted on my Web site below:

<http://mysite.verizon.net/cookiejarpi/>

Also, because of the high interest and response to this sale, I have received several inquiries about consignments for Mailbid XIV which will occur in the Spring. Six consignments have already been received including the Philippine collection of Jack Glass who passed away earlier in the year. My charge is 15% but only if the lot sells. There will be more WWII books, stamps, and JIM issues in addition to coins, tokens, and currency of the Philippines.

2. I must apologize to several collectors who received fake guerrilla notes in my sale. Most have been from consignments and I was not as aware as I should have been of the characteristics of the fakes from Luzon, KKK, and Palawan. I have now received specifics on fake characteristics of notes from these areas. In the next week I will have a section on my web site which shows the fake notes next to the genuine ones and this hopefully will educate all collectors. If you have other detailed notes on fake guerrilla currency, please forward to me and I will make that information available on my website.

3. Neil Shafer's first revision to his "Philippine Emergency and Guerrilla Currency of World War II" was published in the December issue of Bank Note Reporter. The first chapter centered on the SCARCE Aklan issues. I will assist Neil on notes and information that were in the C.M Nielsen collection I bought last year. Last month, I met with Neil at the Baltimore show and gave him notes from the collection on Apayao and Capiz

for future articles in the Bank Note Reporter. Strongly suggest you get a subscription to it if you don't do so already.

4. "Do you know any of these Sangley Point Navy Men??" At the recent Baltimore Show, Dave Amey, a dealer from Florida who knows I love Philippine material gave me this card he picked up at an antique shop. This is a printed Christmas Card from all the men who worked at the Sangley Point Naval Point, Philippines Photo Lab. It says in Tagalog: "Greetings/Merry Christmas and/Happy New /Year". What makes it interesting is on the inside are Philippine scenes with photos of the eleven men who worked at the lab spread among the various scenes. On the back of the card are the names and rank of the eleven men as follows:

Paul D. Marr, LT
Geo T. Lecours, AFC
Henry Billerbeck, AFC
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Allen R. Beard, PH1
James W. Leggitt, AF2
Robert D. Munell, PHG3
Barclay T. Cook, PHAN
Raymond E. Metcalf, AFAN
Billie G. Shaddix, AFAN
Leonard a. Berner, AFAN

I was stationed at Clark AB from 1963 to 1965 and believe this card probably was from the 60's era. I would be interested if any of these men are still around and would be interested to contacting them. I will put scans of the card on my website.

5. As I am sending this out today, I wish all a Merry Christmas and a Happy Numismatic Year in 2010.

6. I still have in stock the following books/studies if you are interested:

a. Lyman Allen's 6th (2008-2009) edition of "US/Philippine Coins". As in the past, the edition contains new varieties and updated certified coins' listings from the different grading services. Values have been vastly updated. Also included is a coin checklist at the back. Price is \$28 Postpaid to US and APO/FPO addresses. Price to Overseas addresses is \$35 for airmail postage.

b. "History and Mintage Philippine Counterstamped Coins 1828-1839" by Quint Jose MA. Oropilla Y Fortich, M.D. It is well researched containing original archival documents, many photos, and important information about counterstamped coins never before published. This is a large (9 1/2 by 12 1/2 inches) hardbound 225 page book weighing about 4 lbs for shipping. For any Philippine or Spanish Colonies collector having interest in this unique series, you need this book. Cost in the US is \$120 plus \$6 for insured book rate to US addresses. (Overseas addresses please inquire about shipping rates to your country.)

c. "The Philippine 1906S Philippine Peso, Die Characteristics: Genuine and Fake", August 2004. I initially presented this research study at PCF 2004. It has 20 pages with 13 of those color photographs. Cost is \$8.00 postpaid within US and \$10.00 overseas. It was published in the ANA Journal, Summer 2006 edition.

d. A listing of known die combinations used in production of the Homma Medal. I presented this paper at the Philippine Collectors Forum in last August which I exhibited some 20 different Homma medals. Cost is \$5 to US addresses Postpaid and \$7 to Overseas Addressees.

e. I do have in stock the complete series of blue professionally manufactured Philippine Coin Albums issued for Spanish issues, US/PI issues by date/MM and denominations/ through Republic commemorative and minor coin issues by date. Please contact me for specifics.

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Christopher Columbus appears on World War II notes of what colony?

Answer next time.

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EDITORIAL

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This is the first Gram of 2010. There is some discussion on how to note 2010; some prefer twenty-ten, while others prefer two thousand ten, while others have called the new year two ten. Whatever your preference best wishes for a happy and healthy new year.

I will be leaving for the FUN show on Thursday and the next couple of Grams will come from there. I now own a laptop (finally!) and will test it out in Florida. I do have some concerns as the weather looks like it might be a little on the cold side for our warm weather subscribers.

From my point of view, high forties or low fifties is a heat wave compared to what we have had here on Long Island. Remember our Friday minifest/banquet. Details will be finalized at the show and the information will be available at both David Seelye's and Howard Daniel's tables.

Thanks to the Wilsons the Gram Calendar has been updated so scroll down and take a look. If you have any additions, please let us know and we will make the updates in a timely manner.

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Dear Editor,

I set up a Facebook profile where I can post my pictures, videos and events and I want to add you as a friend so you can see it. First, you need to join Facebook! Once you join, you can also create your own profile.

To sign up for Facebook, follow the link below:

<http://www.facebook.com/p.php?i=1088534866&k=Z6MT34SSSXTF3CG1XB2TQ5PQUWAEW651&r>

Doug Bell

Dear Editor,

Permission is granted for Sparky or anyone to contact me by email (cunninghamchips@hotmail.com). Thanks!

Paul Cunningham

Dear Editor,

We all know that from 1942 to 1945 the war effort affected nearly everyone and everything, including U.S. pocket change. In 1943, the U.S. Mint issued the first and only steel Lincoln Cents because copper was needed for the war effort. Then in 1944 and 1945, the Mint issued copper Lincoln Cents made from recycled shell casings. During these turbulent years the only U.S. silver nickels in history were also minted as nickel was needed for the manufacture of armaments. GovMint.com (not affiliated with the the US Mint) now offers a collection of these coins, in case you don't already have them (Item # 1802944 cost \$19.95) :

<http://www.govmint.com/item/Pennies-&-Nickels-of-WWII/1802944/11>

> >David Klinger

Dear Editor,

I will have a table at FUN in 2010. I will NOT be bringing my MPC stock UNLESS you request specific series and denominations. I will have my World note stock with me, along with \$1, \$3, \$5, \$7 "junk" boxes.

In addition, I recently acquired a wrapper from an Eskimo Victory-Bar dated 1943! The victory-Bar is in bold red letters, and on the back is the "For Victory" Buy United States War bond and stamps logo. I was astounded when I saw the item. Who would have kept this throw away paper wrapper, and why. No answers are there. It will be on display at my FUN table.

David Seelye

Dear Editor,

The most recent issue of The E-sylum had an item about the Royal Numismatic Society of Belgium selling some of its duplicated journals; Revue BelgedeNumismatique. The secretary, J. Moens, can be reached at www.numisbel.be . The sale is broken down into the following groups;
For years preceding World War I; 40 Francs per copy
For years between World War I to 1960; 20 Francs per copy
For years after 1960 until 2000; 10 Francs per copy
I am thinking the war years issues might have some interesting information and illustrations for Gramster. And someone might be able to tell you which post-war issues do have some wartime articles in them. There is a discount for quantity orders so several Gramsters might pool their orders into one order and have it shipped to Port Clinton for picking up at the Fest.
The Master Sergeant Daniel on his way to the FUN Show

Dear Editor, In Germany now for the Holiday Aschaffenburg to be exact. I am going to FUN on Thursday 07 Jan arriving around noon. Have a car if someone needs a ride to Intl Drive.
Staying until Saturday 9 Jan in afternoon. Hope to see all at mini fest or ?
Happy Holiday from us
Isabella Proksch
Jack Lippincott

Dear Editor:
Please include me for dinner at the FUN show. I will be driving from Tallahassee.
Mike Buckley

Dear Editor,
In regard to Ken's question about the Philippine JIM overprints on ebay: I too have been following these overprints as they start to come up on the market. They are coming from one source in IloIlo and he started offering the well known red Banzai notes about a year ago; would realize \$20.00+. About 3 months ago he started listing these other overprints that you mentioned including: Soonest POW, MacArthur is here, Asia's Butcher, Banzai, etc. He claims in the lot descriptions that they were used as part of the Japanese psychological warfare. He is now offering approx. 5 every week and has gotten quite creative with the overprints. Doubles, wrong color, etc. I have a semi "complete" collection of these fake overprints. Usually I am able to find the "less desirable" ones for \$3-4.
(Joe doesn't know this) I was planning on sending (to Joe) one of the Banzai pieces that I found on ebay along with one that has been in someones collection for many years to see if there are any differences in ink, application, etc.
Those of you who are JIM collectors, I would consider taking a look at these pieces as they are pretty interesting. Providing I am at the fest, I will have a group of these pieces to show.
The seller's ebayusername is [san_antonio_9](#)

Thanks,
Andrew Keene

Dear Editor

I particularly enjoyed Colin Bruce's comments on defining WWII. When one considers the interaction of events, it obviously can become very expansive. To borrow from a discussion of the definition of war bonds, in my opinion, the definition is whatever you want it to be. Collect whatever interests you.

BTW, allow me to make a slight historical correction. Following the Winter War between Finland and the USSR, Finland did NOT ally themselves with Nazi Germany against the USSR. They became co-belligerents. A small, but significant, distinction because the Finns wanted no association with the Nazi human rights record (the philosophical agreement that the term "ally" would imply). The Nazi's were then kicked out of Finland by the Soviets who practiced a pillage and burn policy on Finnish soil in retaliation.

Warner Talso

Dear Editor,

Do we have any members that might be willing to translate some Chinese?

I started an article on Nationalist Chinese propaganda and had a volunteer PhD helping out. I think it has got to be too much for him. He has not sent anything in weeks.

I would not expect a volunteer to do too much, but certainly the title of various leaflets would be nice to add to the story.

Herb Friedman

Dear Editor,

While on our way to Tallahassee Florida, after visiting relatives on St. George Island, I had to make a pit stop. To my amazement, the beach site rest stop had this plaque commemorating Carrabelle Beach as a WWII D-Day training site. <http://i413.photobucket.com/albums/pp217/ration1/D-DayTrainingSite.jpg>

See above link or attachment

Don Kolkman

Dear Editor,

Please add Tim and Veronica Varella to the attendee list. They are Newbies also she is Jane Talsos sister

Also add Al Glaser and Mark (Sparky) Watson to MPC Fest XI list of attendees.

Kim Bartish

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April 16-18, 2010 Holiday Inn Camp Leo May,
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From Kim at Headquarters

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FUN 2010 Report,

by Bill Myers and Roger Urce.

FUN started on Thur. Fester and ANA President Cliff Mishler gave a talk about the ANA and the audience ask some questions but seemed to be pleased with the current direction of the ANA. After that Bill Myers gave a talk on Japanese Invasion Money as Propaganda. It revealed obvious and

subtle propaganda messages on JIM notes. A validated MFC note was issued at the talk. The validation stamps were numbered. Unfortunately I arrived at the show after Bill had given his lecture and I was not a recipient of one of the validated MFC notes. I guess I'll have to wait for the Fest auction.

Thursday saw a busy bourse and most of the dealers I spoke with indicated business was good. I did come across a couple of interesting items. The first was from David Seelye who had recently acquired a partial uncut sheet of Japanese Puppet Bank notes, PJ 134 to be specific. The sheet has five notes missing (cut out) and was folded a number of times, but I have to agree with Dave that it is one of a kind. Friday also saw fifteen of us getting together for a "mini-banquet".. The conversation and the camaraderie was quite enjoyable. Of course no fest event would be complete without a commemorative issue. All dinner guests received a one dollar series 062 note which was over stamped on the back with "FUN/MINIFEST/BANQUET/2010". One example has been archived and others will be available at the Fest auction.

>From a collecting point of view, I was able to add some Korean and French AMC to my collection. I was also fortunate to find an AU example of a 50 pound Bernhard counterfeit.

Tomorrow will see a Minifest and I would think another commemorative issue. Stay tuned

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What is the highest block number on the Flag Back 100 Franc AMC notes?

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ANSWER TO PREVIOUS QUESTION

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Christopher Columbus appears on World War II notes of what colony?

ANSWER: Guadeloupe 5 francs

The Myers

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EDITORIAL

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I thought the mini-banquet was a good idea and so said all who attended. This FUN show was the first for me personally since the ANA last August in California. It was good to see all of the Festers and Gramsters who are in attendance and to catch up. Finding additions to the collection is always nice, but what I really enjoy are the conversations and discussions about what we collect. Discovering new items, such as the sheet of Puppet Bank notes, is a highlight. Tomorrow will see more conversations and quite possibly more new discoveries. Bill Myers out it best: he said that the dinner was nice, but it was the fellowship.

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Dear Editor,

Regarding Andrew Keene's response to my letter, I have a number of JIM overprints which I acquired years ago:

Philippines o/p with the XXXXXXXX crossing out the Japanese Government (acquired in the Philippines sometime between 1990 & 1993)

Philippine American Guerrilla o/p & PAG o/p (acquired from a Philippine Auction in 6/2001)

BANZAI o/p (acquired from the same Auction)

Filipino Chinese American Guerrilla Movement o/p (acquired from same Auction)

Pandita Area Guerrilla Regiment o/p (acquired from Ray Czahor in 10/2001)

Bagumpanahon o/p (acquired in the Philippines in 4/2003)

I do not have any of the more recently appearing overprints. If anybody wants to compare my overprints against those presently appearing on eBay, they can contact me at atdr.berger@juno.com

Ken Berger

Dear Editor,

WANTED: Japanese military porcelain, lacquer ware and gilt sake cups.....contact Colin at kandybruce@hotmail.com

QUESTION

Japanese Military sake cups: I just checked eBay and there are over 500 offerings mostly from the Land of the Rising Sun. Is there a reference catalog in English or Japanese for these?

I have the results on Rosenblum's recent auction for those punch hole canceled Konversionskasse bonds that are unlisted in SB so I'll do a little offering of the few sets that I happen to have for sale later on.

Cheers,

Colin Bruce

[My question is what numismatic connection is there to sake cups? The fact that they are military related and quite possibly from the World War II era lets us put them in the Gram - Ed.]

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FUN Minifest,
by Bill Myers

A minifest was held at FUN on 9 APR 2010. It was attended by 16 festers and one guest. Introductions and show and tell were conducted. At the end pay was received in the form of a 062 \$2 note that has a validation stamp and star shaped punch as well as a series 072 \$1 with a red flag stamp and a validation stamp applied. The validation stamp commemorated the 65th anniversary of the Allied landing at Ligayen Gulf in Luzon which was on 9 JAN 1945.

Present were Mike Buckley, Joe Boling (presented the converted yellow to blue seal \$10 silver certificate he cherry picked from an a major auction firm), Dave Fouts (presented MPC he aquired), Ray and Pia Bows (presented a post trader token, discussed a manuscript he is working on about military coins, tokens, etc), Dave Frank (who presented gasoline ration stickers), Dave Hunsicker (discussed his FUN exhibit on WWII US currency), Neil Shafer (presented a meal ticket from Camp Jasonovak, a camp in Croatia as well as a Japanese bond that was a short snorter), George Fitzgerald presented several new MPC replacements he obtained at the auction), Howard Daniel (presented slides of his trip to Viet Nam and showed some of pictures of the notes used by the Chinese in Viet Nam and on the Ho Chi Min trail), Gary Lewis, Roger Urce (presented India bonds from WWII in 50, 100 and 1000 rupees), Larry Smulczenski who had a Mexican circulating check and it is

pictured in the book) and Bill Myers (presented a British India WWII era 1/2 and 1 rupee coins that have had the obverse and reverse canceled in a grid type pattern and a expediently scalloped Ethiopian 25 santeems coin). The meeting was adjourned and everyone went to the bourse to seek more treasures.

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[My apologies to Thurski for running this question - Ed.]

What animal is on the face of the State of Burma notes that were printed in Japan?

Answer next time.

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ANSWER TO PREVIOUS QUESTION

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What is the highest block number on the Flag Back 100 Franc AMC notes?

That would be a "10". Hope you have fun @ FUN.

Jack "21" HunterThe Myers

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EDITORIAL

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The FUN show was a great time. There were a number of sights to see and a lot of new information to learn. One item of interest, something I had not seen before, at least in person, were circulating checks from Mexico. Getting around to this subject started with a book that was offered for sale entitled Mexican Paper Money., 2010 Edition, edited by Cory Frampton, Duane Douglas, Albert Hildalgo and Elmer Powell. It discusses and pictures, in color, Mexican notes from the Imperial and Early Republic through the Bank of Mexico issues up to modern times. At the dealer table where the books were sold a emergency 50 centavo check, from the WW II period was discovered and found its way into a famous Texas collection. I'll leave you with a tease on this as the new owner promises to write an article for the Gram on his find.

Another interesting item, this one is pictured on the website, is a wrapper from an Eskimo bar ice cream candy bar circa WW II. The wrapper is in AU condition and we theorize it may not have contained the ice cream bar but was saved as a souvenir. The item was found prior to the show by David Seelye in a dealer's junk box. Because of the interest express David has graciously donated the wrapper to the Fest auction. Bill Myers mentions India bonds as my show and tell for the minifest. I would love to have been able to report about the minifest in more detail, but I missed most of it. Seems your editor had a little trouble with reading the schedule of events and telling time. Had the minifest started at 1300 hours, Ski and I would have been fifteen minutes early, but since the event started at noon we were forty-five minutes late. We were able to see most of the other participants show and tell and were there in time for pay.

There were some exhibits of interest to Gramsters and we will report on them next time.

We also added three more Gram subscribers.

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Dear Editor,
Japanese Military Sake Cups by Dan King
These were produced for over 50 years through 1945 and commemorate all sorts of military units and campaigns. Lately there are quite a few offerings on eBay. There are real fancy ones that were actually awards. Thanks for the quick exposure [from readers] while I am digging into another field.
Colin Bruce

Dear Editor,
It seemed unusual to me that a former civilian federal firefighter Lewis E. Meyer received two Purple Hearts and a Prisoner of War Medal at a ceremony yesterday, here in San Diego. Did anyone else ever know of such an award to a civilian? I think he deserved the awards, given the circumstances, but I wonder if this was a "first". I have not found any other example of a civilian receiving a military decoration, before or since. Anyone else found any examples?
See the story here:
<http://www3.signonsandiego.com/news/2010/jan/08/el-cajon-man-receives-medals-vietnam-service/>
Dave Klinger

Dear Editor and Dave,
Fabulous. I can't cite the instances, but I know civilians have been decorated before - think women in the OSS.
Joe Boling

Dear Editor,
After I received Joe's email about a woman in the OSS receiving a military award, I found out about Virginia Hall. She was a member of the OSS during WWII. Although well known to the Gestapo and under constant threat of capture, she organized, armed, and trained three battalions of French Resistance forces. She directed them in sabotage operations against the German army. Hall also transmitted radio messages to Allied troops in the critical weeks after the invasion of Normandy. For her efforts, Virginia Hall was awarded the Distinguished Service Cross, this nation's second highest military award for bravery. She was the only civilian in World War II to receive this award.

Dear Editor and Dave,
This is (to me at least) VERY interesting. I could find nothing to support such an award for the PH. I did not study the POW medal issue. It

seems to me if this fellow qualified for a PH, he also qualified for campaign medals and likely other things too. There were MANY US civilians in VN in many different capacities. True, fire fighters tend to be uniformed, but so are dog catchers.

Most interesting.

Fred Schwan

Dear Editor,

I would very much like to correspond with anyone found who worked in the Sangley Point print shop too! This shop likely printed some leaflets and other stuff of interest to me. Please contact me if anyone finds one or more of these men.

The Master Sergeant Daniel on the way home from FUN

Dear Editor,

Are any festers going to the Long Beach show 4-6 FEB 2010 or ANA at Fort Worth

25-28 MAR 2010? If there are and you are interested in attending a minifest

send a note to the gram as to which day is best.

Bill Myers

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FUN Exhibits,
by Roger Urce

There were three exhibits at the FUN show with military themes. The first, by Dave Hunsicker, was a display of US Coins and Currency of World War II and featured the Hawaii overprinted notes and the notes for North Africa with the yellow seals. Also displayed were the silver Jefferson nickels, the 1943 steel cents and the 1944 shell case copper cents. Now before I get the letter from our esteemed publisher, let me point out that I am aware the currency includes coins and paper money. I merely report the title of the exhibit, which, by the way, won second place and resulted in David getting a gold coin.

Th next exhibit, by Bill Myers, was a display of coins minted by the United States for World War II coinage. There were a number of cases featuring coins for all over the world with descriptions of each. Bill's display also featured a book entitled: "Foreign Coins Struck at the US Mint" by Charles Altz and E.H. Barton (1964).

The last exhibit, while not strictly militarily related, was a display of different types of paper money with the same serial numbers. One pairing had a dollar bill and a piece of MPCV both with the same serial number.

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India issued Post Office Cash Certificates during World War II. What were the denominations?

Answer next time.

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ANSWER TO PREVIOUS QUESTION

=====What animal is on the face of the State of Burma notes that were printed in Japan?

ANSWER:

The answer must be the Peacock, which appeared on all issues of 1944 and 1945, most of, if not all, that were unissued.

Regards,

Brent Arthurson

IBNS Perth Chapter

ANSWER;

The Peacock

I would also like to make a correction to the last question, for the Flag back

100 francs there are two blocks, for the 100 franc France back there are 10 blocks

The Myers

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EDITORIAL

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A couple or three years ago, I entered an exhibit at the Memphis Show. It was my first attempt and I was encouraged by the critiques I received. Looking at exhibits over the past few shows I have attended has given me the impetus to try again. There are a number of themes I am thinking about, all of them, of course, related to military numismatics, but not all related to the World War II era. I can recall Marv Mericle encouraging M2C2 attendees at a Memphis Show to exhibit as often as possible. His advice is sound and I plan to put something together for not only this year's Memphis Show but also for the World's Fair of Money (ANA) in Boston this coming summer. Exhibiting is not only an opportunity to show off your collection, but doing the research and writing the descriptions provides a chance to learn more about our hobby. And, who knows, there might just be a prize at the end.

Also, I could use more information for the Calendar. Note that CPMX and Central States are not listed. If you have information on any shows of interest to Gramsters, please send it in and we will add it to the calendar. Thanks.

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Dear Editor,

Further to the items on civilians receiving military decorations, I wondered if Nancy Wake (aka "The White Mouse") might also qualify. Her decorations for WW11 included the British George Medal, 1939-1945 Star, France & Germany Star, Defence Medal and War Medal 1939-1945; the French Officier de la Legion d'Honneur, CroixdeGuerre with two Palms and a Star and Medaillede la Resistance; and the USA Medal of Freedom with Bronze Palm. She has subsequently been made a Companion of the Order of Australia (2004) and been awarded the Royal New Zealand Returned and Services' Association's highest honour, the RSA Badge in Gold (2006). I am no expert on eligibility requirements, but it seems to me some of these would be military decorations.

Grahame Austin

Dear Editor and David Klinger,

What about all of the contractors in Iraq now who get wounded?

Fred Schwan

Dear Editor,

The January 11, 2010 issue of Linn's Stamp News has an article on page 6; French Stamp from 1944 with Army Post Office different cancels by John M. Hotchner. This looks like something for the next edition of WWII Remembered, but if not, it is an interesting item.

And:

Dear Editor,

I had a club table for the first time at the FUN Show and it was a great time. I think I cornered about a dozen veterans at the table and gave them information about the Fest and the MPC Gram. One of them was involved in shutting down clubs and destroying tokens! He and Ray Bows are getting together in Florida.

I will also have a club table at the Fort Worth ANA and the IBNS meeting can include a MiniFest (for Col Myers info). I am looking forward to this ANA because I am planning to stop at Ski's place in Austin and several other homes in San Antonio and Houston before driving back to Virginia.

If a Gramster lives in on I-10 or I-20 between Atlanta and Fort Worth and he/she owns pieces from SE Asia, I would very much like to visit them too. Please contact me at HADANIEL3@MSN.COM.

The Master Sergeant Daniel back in Virginia.

Dear Editor,

I will be attending Long Beach, but alas, my schedule is too dynamic to be able to pick a date that I will be attending at this time. I believe an IBNS chapter meeting will be held on Saturday, but do not know the topic or the time.

Cheers,

Mark Sparky Watson

Dear Editor,

Please add Robert (Bob) Olson for MPC Fest XI. Thank you

Kim Bartish

Dear Editor, I am a Eurobanknote collector and I look for the following notes :

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Bikaner War Fund,
by Fred Schwan

I just opened a wonderful care package from David Seelye. When it arrived, I did not even open it because I (thought that I) knew what was in the package and that it was nothing to be too excited about. I was wrong. On the other hand I am easily excited, at least about WWII numismatic stuff.

The source of excitement was a pair of donation coupons for war finance from Bikinar. Not only do I have a long story about these items, but it is also a multi level story.

I first saw a pair of these coupons at the Ohio State Numismatic Association (or is it society, hm, am not sure?). Anyway, David had a pair of these coupons at the show from a recent purchase out of India. They are crude things. I will tell you more (much more) about the coupons themselves below. He proudly showed them to me as new listings for Remembered. I looked at them and immediately liked the items for what they purported to be, but almost simultaneously suspected their legitimacy. I studied them with a glass--but not a scope or ever really good glass. I decided that I thought that they were modern fantasies. Basically, I came to that conclusion because I could not find the slighted evidence of embossing of the serial numbers. Such embossing of letterpress serial numbers is diagnostic of letterpress, but, most importantly, is not a necessary characteristic of letterpress. I once to a college printing class specifically to learn about the various printing technologies.

I set type, made plates, and ran letterpress and offset presses. As far as I can recall, intaglio was never even mentioned. One of the things that we had to do on the final exam was to determine the method of production on samples. I was not particularly good at it, but it was good.

The critical method taught by Doc Austin was embossing on letterpress products. Interestingly, he also lectured that really good letterpress would have very little or not embossing. Of course he looked for embossing (actually the lack of it) on the items that the students printed by letterpress. I was not much good at setting the press up for this either. Nonetheless, I learned a lot from all of this.

I have a theory about all of this as it relates to the grading services, but I had better save that for another time or I will not get back to the topic at hand. I will try to make that the topic of the next TWIRR.

Ok, the Bikinar notes are flat. Perfectly flat. Not a trace of embossing on the serial numbers. As I said, I thought that these items were modern fantasies (polite term). Still, I was not certain. Finally, I told David of my fears and suggest that we have the ultimate authority on such things--Joe Boling--look at them.

David sent them with me to show Joe. I took them with me for my road trip with Joe to Milwaukee in October. The short story is that Joe proclaimed them genuine, that is manufactured with technologies appropriate for the time. Specifically, he determined that the serial numbers were letter-pressed based upon the appearance of the ink under magnification. Joe had taught me this technique in his detecting counterfeiting class at the ANA summer seminar, but again, I am not real good at that. Interestingly, Joe's approach disregarding the embossing issue supports Doc. Austin's position that good letterpress does not have embossing.

Now for one little counterargument (I accept Joe's judgment). The likelihood of embossing goes up substantially when paper is of poor quality and the quantities high--think newspapers in the 1940. Normally, bank notes do not fit the poor paper quality characteristic. These items are, however, on very poor quality paper and the basic printing is also of very poor quality. I guess this was in the way of an excuse for my poor judgment to start with.

Bikanar is one of the Indian princely states. Here is what it says in Remembered. Bikaner was one of the largest (23,181 sq mi., population 1,300,000) and most desolate of the princely states, located in western Rajputana in the Thar desert (now on the India-Pakistan border). The principal industries are stock raising and handicrafts.

These items are War Purposes Fund donation coupons. Both are for one rupee. While they are very similar, there are many significant differences. One has the issue as Bikanar State (will call this the state note here), the other Government of Bikanar (will call the government note). The government note has the signature of the revenue minister PremSingh. The other (state) note has an illegible signature of the president of (according to an additional legend that does not appear on the government note) National War Finance Committee.

As you know, the notes are serially numbered. The fonts on the two are the same. My two numbers are 217 and 926.

The backs have an interesting little surprise. Guess what happened on 10.16.1942 apparently in Bikinar? Dungar College had a football (soccer) match against the Dungar Lancers. That according to the text. I tried to find the score of the game, but could not. Dungar College still operates. Here is what it says on a college website: Govt. Dungar College, Bikaner in its nascent state was called The Darbar School, started in 1837 by the then ruler of Bikaner State, Sh. DungarSinghji. He was the 20th ruler of the erstwhile state of Bikaner. Coronated in 1872, he worked for the development of the state in the fields of education, judiciary, rail, roads, canals and general administration.

(<http://www.globalshiksha.com/college/Dungar-college-bikaner/17538>).

There is one other interesting item to mention. My state note is printed on paper with a large and elaborate watermark. Most

interestingly, the watermark did not appear on either of the pieces that I first saw with David last October. It appears that part of the watermark is the word BANK (the BA show clearly). Watermark identification is another area where Joe excels.

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CHAMPIONSHIP QUESTION CORNER

Questions for this space from subscribers and always welcome and eagerly solicited. The only requirement is that you also provide the answer!

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Romulus and Remus being suckled by a wolf appear on the notes (I'd ask for the denomination(s) also) for what location?

Answer next time.

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ANSWER TO PREVIOUS QUESTION

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India issues Post Office Cash Certificates during World War II. What were the denominations?

ANSWER:

10, 20, 50, 100, 500, 1000, 2000, 3000, 4000, 5000
the Myers

ANSWER:

Re the India Post Office Cash Certificates I expect that you were referring to the 1936 dated issue which was actually released in 1940...if so the denominations were : Rupees 10, 20, 50, 100, 500, 1000, 2000, 3000, 4000 and 5000.

Regards Brent Athurson

IBNS Perth Chapter

P.S. Congrats to The Myers who were right on the money with their call on the France Flag back issue, well done.[I can only assume Kathy and Bill are referring to Rupees - Ed.]

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EDITORIAL

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The book "The Counterfeiters, How a Norwegian Jew Survived the Holocaust", by Moritz Nachtstern & Ragnar Arntzen has been the subject of comments in prior Grams. I had the book with me on the FUN trip and it came up at the show in a conversation with George Fitzgerald. We were at about the same point in the book at the time. George commented that the book was written shortly after Nachtstern was liberated and returned home. One of the more interesting passages is on page 217 where one of the counterfeiter's is describing a five pound note. Quoting: "Look here on the lady's right hand. It has five dots, secret markings. Also, one has to make sure that she sits properly on her oval. The lines in the watermarks must not 'swim' as it is called in the technical

terminology. Neither should they be too high up on the bill. Only the Bank of England can take such liberties, but we cannot." The line in the watermark under the letter N in the word

England is a diagnostic, but at first reading I was somewhat curious about the dots on Britannia's right hand. They are there, three on one side and two on the other, but they are part of an authentic note and are marks, secret if you will, put there by the Bank of England. What was being pointed was the detail that went into the forgeries. There are also references to the grading and quality of the forgeries and the uses to which they were put.

I recommend the book as it was an easy read and it intertwines military numismatics with a struggle for survival. I would also like to hear from George, and any of our other subscribers who have read the book, for their comments.

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Editor's Note: We received three letters from David Klinger on awards and medals.

Dear Editor,

Dr Mary Walker, a contract surgeon in the Civil War, was awarded the medal of honor by President Andrew Johnson. The citation reads, in part: "Whereas it appears from official reports that Dr. Mary E. Walker, a graduate of medicine, has rendered valuable service to the government, and her efforts have been earnest and untiring in a variety of ways, and that she was assigned to duty and served as an assistant surgeon in charge of female prisoners at Louisville, KY., under the recommendation of Major-Generals Sherman and Thomas, and faithfully served as contract surgeon in the service of the United States, and has devoted herself with much patriotic zeal to the sick and wounded soldiers, both in the field and hospitals, to the detriment of her own health, and has endured hardships as a prisoner of war four months in a southern prison while acting as contract surgeon...."

Dr. Walker's Medal of Honor was rescinded in 1917, along with some 900 others. Some believed her medal was rescinded because of her involvement as a suffragette. Others discredit that opinion as 909 other medals rescinded were awarded to men. The stated reason was to "... increase the prestige of the grant."

For whatever reason, she refused to return the Medal of Honor and wore it until her death in 1919. Fifty-eight years later, the U.S. Congress posthumously reinstated her medal, and it was restored by President Carter on June 10, 1977.

Dear Editor,

I found yet another example of a civilian receiving military awards, this one in Iraq in 2004:

By Ariana EunjungCha and Renae Merle

Washington Post Staff Writers

Thursday, May 13, 2004; Page A01

While on missions in Iraq last year, 35-year-old Todd Drobnick was attacked by small-arms fire, grenades and makeshift bombs. Yet he continued to go out day after day, until he died in a vehicle crash on his way from one U.S. military base to another. For his loyalty and dedication, he was posthumously awarded a Purple Heart and Bronze Star. Thousands of Americans in Iraq have received such honors, but Drobnick's case was unusual: He wasn't a soldier. He was a private contractor working with a translation company. The entire article discusses the bigger issue of the blurring of the line between military and civilian roles in war:
<http://www.washingtonpost.com/wp-dyn/articles/A22547-2004May12.html>

Dear Editor,

I don't want to beat a dead horse, but I finally found an official Army regulation which authorizes the PH award to civilians:

Paragraph 2-8, Army Regulation 600-8-22 (Military Awards), 25 February 1995 -

The Purple Heart may be awarded to civilian nationals of the United States. These individuals must be serving under competent authority with the Army when wounded. Serving under competent authority with the Army will include those eligible persons who are employees of the U.S. Government in a duty (pay or official travel) status when wounds are sustained. Examples of eligible individuals are as follows:

(1) Any Army employee who is traveling outside of the continental limits of the United States on PCS or temporary duty (TDY) aboard a commercial aircraft and wounded by international terrorists in an attempted or actual hijacking incident.

(2) An Army employee in an Army office building performing his or her job who is wounded by an explosive device detonated by international terrorists.

(3) A civil or foreign service employee from a U.S. Government Agency or Department attached to an Army element performing intelligence, counter-terrorist, or other duties with the Army wounded by international terrorists.

(4) An Army employee wounded in an international terrorist incident in which a soldier or soldiers are also wounded.

David Klinger

Dear Editor,

The IBNS has a meeting on Sat 6 FEB 2010 from 1000-1200 (room not known at this time) at the Long Beach Expo. There will be a minifest right after the IBNS meeting for any interested festers. There will also be a minifest at the ANA in Ft Worth 25-27 MAR 2010 after the IBNS meeting.
Bill Myers

Dear Editor,

I will be at the ANA in Ft Worth, of course, but can't tell you what day would be best for a minifest until I see the ANA's board meeting schedule.

Joe Boling

Dear Editor,

We were talking the other day about all the fake OPs on Philippine currency.
How about all the genuine VC overprints on wartime currency of the RVN. These are the ones I know about. Can anyone add more?
The VietMinh retaliated by overprinting banknotes with their propaganda. Some of the overprints that I have held in my hands are:
An independent Vietnam
One Ho Chi Minh government.
Vietnamese, spend only the Viet Cong notes
All for counterattack
Emulate to win the victory
Emulate to love country
Prepare for the general offensive
All people reunite against the invaders
Long live Ho Chi Minh
Down with BaoDai, support Ho Chi Minh
Support the Ho Chi Minh government
Knock down the puppet government of Nguyen van Xuan, servant of the French colonialism
Herb Friedman

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FOR SALE:

I have been cleaning out and found the auction catalog sale by Lyn Knight at the 2002 CPMX show. It's a spiral bound auction catalog essentially mint. This has the Leo May collection of MPC and replacements.
Postpaid \$15.00
David Seelye
thempcman@verizon.net

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Calendar 2009 - 2010

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March 19, 20, 21, 2010

Earle Brown Heritage Center

Brooklyn Center, MN 55430

Contact - Lee Quast - 314-276-1162

amerishow@gmail.com

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For details, and any questions, contact Jos F.M. Eijsermans by email at eijsermans-events@t-online.de phone ++49-2821-71166-69 or fax ++49-2821-71166-71. - also Skype "banknote-man"

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Fest XI

April 16-18, 2010 Holiday Inn Camp Leo May,

Port Clinton, OH

From Kim at Headquarters

Here is a list for MPC FEST XI:

Robert Drew, Rob & Martha Stevenson, Warner and Jane Talso, Doug Bell, Dave Frank, Steve Swoish, Dan and Kathy Freeland, Rod Hardy, Wes Hardy, Jack Hunter, Ron Waddell, Roger Urce, Nick Schrier, Neil Shafer, Larry Smulczynski, Bill Myers, David Seelye, George Swift*, Brian Giese, Howard Daniel III, Harold Kroll, John & Monina Regitko, and Dick Dunn, Brad Schwan, Val May, David Schwan, Steve Feller, and Michael & Ray McCloskey, John Cheney, Laura Guentensverger, Bill Yanchick, John Watta, Robbie & Jan Robinson, Danny Spungen, Betty & George Slade, Brian Fanton, Randy Poe, Tim and Veronica Varella*, Al Glaser and Mark (Sparky) Watson, Bob Olson and Fred & Judy Schwan.

*Indicates New Fester.

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May 14-16. 2010

Amon Carter Center, Fort Worth, TX

Info at: www.tna.org

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May 20-22, 2010
Nashville Convention Center
Info at: www.whitmanexpo.com

Long Beach Coin, Stamp & Collectibles Expo
Long Beach Convention Center
June 3-5, 2010
Auction Heritage Galleries & Currency Auctions America
Info at: www.longbeachexpo.com

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June 18-20, 2010
Cook Convention Center East Hall
Exhibits, Meetings, Possible Mini Fest
Auction Currency Auctions of America
Info at: www.lynknight.com

Whitman Coin and Collectibles Baltimore Expo
Baltimore Convention Center
June 17-20, 2010
Auction by Bowers and Merena
Info at: www.whitmanexpo.com

Florida United Numismatists Summer Fun
July 8-10, 2010 Orlando, FL Orange County Conv. Center
Exhibits, Programs
Auction Heritage Galleries
Info at: www.funtopics.com

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Series 11, No 1893 Monday, January 25th, 2010

Halloran Hospital,
by Larry Smulczenski

Saturday afternoon as I was seated at Dave Seelye table at FUN chatting with Roger and a couple of other military money enthusiast's, a dealer from Memphis that I had purchased some notes from previously, came up and handed me a note. It was ragged, green in color around the outside of the face with dark red printing in a large ellipse in the center. In two of the corners was a dollar sign and in the other two, a medical caduceus. In large letters in the center were the words--ONE DOLLAR. At the top, the note was identified as an "Exchange Certificate for merchandise at any Halloran Post Exchange. Compliments of the Chaplains' Corps was printed below the ONE DOLLAR. At the bottom were dotted lines for a signature and a serial number. The name written on the line was of a PFC M. J. Hoffman along with his serial number.

The back featured a picture of a chapel with a serial number in the upper right corner with the statement that this was a gift provided by friends of the Chaplains' Corps. To the left of the chapel is the statement "Redeemable only by Overseas Patients." Across the bottom of the back is printed "HolloranGeneral Hospital, Staten Island, N.Y. ; Brigadier General Ralph G. Devoe, Commanding.

I had never heard of Halloran General Hospital, but with a Post Exchange, a Commanding General, a PFC recipient, it had to be a piece of military scrip and worth exploring. The bartering process began with "What do you want for it?" and "What do you think it is worth?" etc, etc. After a couple of minutes, he turned away and said "Aw, just take it." The price was right and easily my best deal at the show. You can see the note on the photo page along with a picture of the hospital.

Halloran General Hospital originally was intended by the State of New York as a facility for mentally retarded children. Construction was started in 1938 and completed in 1942 on a 375 acre plot of land in the Willowbrook section of Staten Island (approximately in the center of Staten Island). After the completion of the building and because of the immediate need for hospital facilities for the wounded coming home from the combat zone, the facilities were turned into an Army hospital named after a Army Colonel Paul Stacy Halloran. Halloran was a medical officer that served two tours of duty in the Philippines during the first decade of the 1900's. Upon return to the states, he served in hospital positions at several locations in the southwest during unstable conditions along the Mexican border. During WWI, Halloran attended to wounded at the front lines at Lorraine, France and at the operations of St. Mihiel and Meuse-Argonne where he was promoted to Colonel. He further served in medical capacities with the Occupation Army of Germany and in France after WWI. His final assignment with the military was as the commander of the Fitzsimons General Hospital in Denver.

Halloran General Hospital was a seven story building with four wings jutting out like spokes from the center. There were numerous annexes around the main building which housed supporting facilities such as the Red Cross, Post Exchange, Testing Labs, etc. The hospital was used mainly as a debarkation center for overseas wounded. Men were taken there, given preliminary care, evaluated and then shipped to hospitals

closer to their homes or specializing in the treatments that they needed. However, Halloran did specialize in the treatment and care of amputees and paraplegics for extended durations. The hospital was also recognized for the development of eyeball replacement therapy and the testing and use of penicillin during surgery to combat infection. The hospital commander, Col. Ralph G. DeVoe, later Brigadier General, was cited for the work of these units.

Of interest to me is that Halloran housed a POW Base camp that housed 650 German prisoners. They reportedly worked in the hospital and no, unfortunately we have not as of yet found a POW chit from this location. The POW camp opened in October 1944 and closed in July of 1946.

In December of 1946, the Army turned the facility back to New York state and in October of 1947 it opened as originally planned as a school for mentally retarded children--the Willowbrook State School. The school had a very shady history that was exposed by Geraldo Rivera, propelling him to the forefront in investigative reporting and was closed in 1987. But that is another story and can be found on the Internet if you are interested.

Today, some of the WWII buildings still exist as part of the College of Staten Island which occupies the tract of land. CSI is part of the City University of New York (CUNY) system. The information for this article was garnered from various Google entries.

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CHAMPIONSHIP QUESTION CORNER

Questions for this space from subscribers and always welcome and eagerly solicited. The only requirement is that you also provide the answer!

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What watermark varieties are found on the States of Jersey WWII notes?

Answer next time.

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ANSWER TO PREVIOUS QUESTION

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Romulus and Remus being suckled by a wolf appear on the notes (I'd ask for the denomination(s) also) for what location?

ANSWER:

Italian 50 Lira Note. I have one that is the Special Series for Italian East Africa.

David Ray

ANSWER:

Dodecanese Islands, 50 & 100 lire

The Myers

ANSWER:

Italy Krause #54 1933-40 50 Lire and #57 1941-42, & #58 1942-43 50 Lire.
Larry Gibbs

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EDITORIAL

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Here at the Gram we have switched computers from PC to MAC (some have said we have gone over to "the dark side") It has been a little confusing even with the one to one tutorial that came with the new system. I am getting used to it all a little bit at a time, but there are some things that are not yet worked out. The new keyboard is prone to typos, or maybe that's just my fat fingers, and the photo section is still a bit of a mystery. All of the photos I had on the PC that related to the Gram have been moved over but for whatever reason I am unable to scan any news one in. Did I mention the system comes with a new wireless printer/scanner? I was able, at least according to the screen pop-up to send over the Halloran note from Thurski's article. As I write this I can't find it on the website, but hopefully by the time this gets to you it will be there.

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Dear Editor,

In the last MPCgram, David Klinger quoted the portion of the Army regulation which authorizes the PH Award to civilians. That cant be right that it was published in an Army regulationbecause I understood every word!

John Regitko

Dear Editor,

According to my reading of the Army regulations, submitted by Dave Klinger, regarding the award of a PH to a civilian, Todd Drobnick does not qualify. The regulations refer to civilian employees of the Army or civil or foreign service employees from a U.S. Government Agency or Department attached to an Army element. According to Dave's letter, Drobnick was working for a translation company which, I assume, had an Army contract. Hence, Drobnick was not employed by the Army nor was he working for a U.S. Government Agency or Department attached to an Army element.

Ken Berger

Dear Editor:

You really gave Logan Talks short shrift in describing his exhibit, titled "In Search of a Match." He had the following matches that included one or more MPCs:

461 nickel and 471 dime, both SN (ignoring the blocks) 05576472

481 quarter and 481 fin, both serial number D00318495D

471 nickel and 1966 \$100 US note, again with the same eight digits, ignoring the blocks

461 nickel and 1928 \$20 gold certificate star note, same eight digits.

The sexiest match has to be the series 481 pair, because they have absolutely identical serials, INCLUDING the blocks.

Joe Boling

[The slight was not intentional and my apologies for not reporting more completely on the exhibit - Ed.]

Dear Editor,

It's not too early for Gramsters to consider attending the ANA Summer Seminar. I think this is the best numismatic experience possible - ask anyone who has been there. In addition to the outstanding courses taught by (or should I say refereed by) our own Fred and Joe, there are many other courses to choose from should you choose to attend both weeks. The dates for the two weeks of 2010 are June 26 - July 2, and July 3 - July 9.

See the course lineup and registration form here:

<http://tinyurl.com/yjuegp5>

David Klinger

Dear Editor,

Thanks to Fred for inviting me. I would like to be added to your free news letter and look forward to it. When and where is the next MPCFest?

Numismatically yours,

Garth TCG

[Welcome Garth, The next MPC Fest is in April. Scroll down to the Calendar for all the pertinent information - Ed.]

Dear Editor,

Fred Schwan mentioned that you guys have an MPC newsletter; Can I be included?

Thanks!

Robin Sisler

ANA Money Museum Collections Manager

Dear Editor,

I will be at ANA show in Ft. Worth for mini fest if possible.

I will be at my dealer table most of the time.

Brian Fanton

Dear Editor,

There are three Dealer table reservations for the MPCFestBourse to date.

If you want a table or 1/2 table, contact David Seelye at

thempcman@verizon.net for a bourse contract!

David Seelye

Dear Editor,

Please add the following names to the list David Hunsicker, Kris Brahaney (Newbie), Jim Downey (no Simon or Deenah this year), Brett Irick, and cancel the Varellas.
Kim Bartish

Dear Editor,

The Spink-Smythe of February 2-3 has some lots of interest to at least one Gramster. They are Lot:

- 68 \$50 4th Liberty Loan Gold Bond
 - 69 Certificate of War Loan Committee recognition certificate
 - 70 Victory Liberty Loan District 7 recognition certificate
 - 71 \$10,000 Victory Liberty Loan Gold Note
 - 72 \$50 Adjusted Service Bond
 - 73 \$100 Series E War Savings Bond Specimen
 - 74 \$100 Series E War Savings Bond Specimen
 - 75 \$500 Series H War Savings Bond Specimen
 - 76 \$500 Series J War Savings Bond Specimen
 - 77 \$500 Series K War Savings Bond Specimen
 - 78 US Treasury Finance Committee Disney 1944 Certificate
 - 79 US Treasury Finance Committee Disney 1945 Certificate
 - 80 US Treasury Finance Committee Disney 1946 Certificate
 - 81 US Treasury Savings Bond Al Capp 19__ Certificate
 - 82 US Treasury Savings Bond Al Capp 19__ Certificate
 - 83 US Treasury Savings Bond Minuteman & Space 19__ Certificate
- The Master Sergeant Daniel

Dear Editor,

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OF THE WORLD

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Orders, Decorations and Medals,
by Jim Downey

I have a confession to make. After 20+ years of collecting exclusively paper money, I have been corrupted by another collecting vice -- and I have two Festers to blame. (Their identities will be kept confidential.) Over the last year or two I have been slowly sucked into the world of orders, decorations and medals (ODM). How badly have I been bitten by the bug? I will have an exhibit at MPCFest XI featuring British Empire and Commonwealth Service Medals of WWII.

I recently came across the listing in World War II Remembered for the United States Selective Service System Medal. It is found on page 419. There is a picture of the medal and brief text that indicates no information was available. This piqued my curiosity and I set out to get the background of the award.

The Selective Service System Medal was instituted by President Truman in 1946. It was awarded to US citizens who served at least two years with the Selective Service System during WWII. The Selective Service System administered the military draft in the United States. Prior to the creation of the medal, certificates of service were awarded.

A ceremony was held at the White House in 1946 where the first medals were awarded. The event was attended by two representatives from the Selective Service System from each state, the two territories,

Washington, D.C. and Puerto Rico. These individuals received their medals from President Truman. The first medal was presented by the President to General Lewis Hershey, the commander of the Selective Service System during the war. Afterward, similar award presentations were made in most states by the local organizations. Although no information on the total number of medals awarded was available, it may be as high as 50,000.

The medal itself is a bronze suspension-type medal. The obverse has a federal eagle with the legend SELECTIVE SERVICE SYSTEM around the top and WORLD WAR II on the bottom. The reverse has the following text: AWARDED IN THE NAME OF THE CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES FOR FAITHFUL AND LOYAL SERVICE. (This text has led some websites to overstate the importance of the medal by indicating the medal was awarded by Congress like the Medal of Honor is awarded.)

The ribbon has three vertical stripes -- a central blue stripe with a yellow stripe on each side. The yellow stripes are bisected by a thin blue stripe. The medal came in an award box with a ribbon bar and a lapel pin of the ribbon bar. The award is also memorialized by an award certificate. A picture of the medal and ribbon bar is on the website.

I could find no information as to whether the military members of the Selective Service System were awarded the medal (aside from General Hershey) or whether they were permitted to wear the medal and/or ribbon on the military uniform.

The medal is fairly common. A fair number of examples are available on EBay at any given time ranging from \$25.00-50.00. The award certificate also appears occasionally.

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Showa dating is associated with what person/country?

Answer next time.

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ANSWER TO PREVIOUS QUESTION

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What watermark varieties are found on the States of Jersey WWII notes?

ANSWER:

Thick and thin chains,
The Myers

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EDITORIAL

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A number of years ago at the Memphis show, I was sitting at Leo May's table and came upon a small number of Princely State notes from India. After learning about them from Leo, I bought them and have since been looking for additional issuing authorities. What brought this back to my mind was Fred's TWIRR about the football tickets. I had picked up a set from David Seelye and after reading Fred's comments I took a closer look at my two examples. One of the notes, serial 510, "BIKANER" is lighter in color than the other and there is no embossing in the lithographed serial number. I cannot read the signature over the word "President". The second note, serial 228, "BIKANER STATE" is darker and is signed by PhemSingh as "Minister", with the first word unreadable. Based on Fred's information, I believe the notes to be genuine, but they will come with me to CPMX to undergo the keen eye of Mr. Boling. Other examples of WW II India issues were some Post Office National Savings Certificates in denominations of 50, 100 and 1000 Rupees and two 100 Rupee examples of Post Office 5-Year Cash Certificates. These were issued in series 1936 and 1943. More opportunities for research.

And, by the way, shouldn't that old ball hidden under a porch somewhere in Texas be coming out to predict events for 2010?

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Dear Editor,
As of January 26, 2010 we now have the following names for tables:
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Jack Lippincott
David Seelye
B&R Press
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David Seelye

Dear Editor,
I made reservations at Holiday Inn for Fest but I see they did not get communicated to you correctly. They have me as Kris Brahaney (because legally still my name) but it should be under Kris Gilmore as my name will be changed officially shortly (and I am not a "new fester"). I also indicated that Cuneyd (Tolek) will also be attending. I will try to reach Kim at Holiday Inn also to make sure Cuneyd and I are registered officially.
Could you please update for the next newsletter?
Thank you! Kris Gilmore

Dear Editor,
Please add the following names to the list to attend MPC Fest George Cuhaj, William Brandimoores, Jack Lippincott, Isabella Proksch, and Keith and Sue Bauman.
Kim Bartish

Dear Editor,

The Saint Louis Stamp Expo 2010 is being held in St. Louis February 26-28. This particular show has various organizations that it features with each years expo. This year the Military Postal History Society is holding its annual meeting at the expo. There will also be exhibits with military postal themes. The web site for the show is www.mophil.org/stampexp.htm . I know that this does not relate directly to numismatics, but I went a few years back when the Polish Philatelic Society was present and learned a lot about German POW camps in Poland.
Dave Frank

Dear Editor,

I have previously written that while making a donation to the JFK Warfare Center (SF) Museum at Fort Bragg, the staff mentioned that they had money stored in their warehouse that they did not know what it was or how to catalog it. I told them that I will come back and do the cataloging for them and put them in archival quality holders.

The Museum staff contacted me a couple of days ago that they had 128 line items (boxes in their warehouse) in their database that shows money, coins and/or tokens. They do not know if that means one or multiple pieces in each line item. We agreed on me being there for February 22-23 to start work on their holdings.

I am going to leave around February 18 to drop off some world coins to one of my sisters for her store's junk box north of Atlanta. She is selling them like crazy to kids, many of whom are scouts! Maybe some new collectors will be created. I am planning to place some catalogs in her store for the kids to reference for the scouts to write up the coins for their merit badges.

Then I am headed for Charlotte on February 19 to visit with Morris Lawing's sister, who took over his world paper money business (www.MorrisLawing.com) after he passed away. Morris was a gentleman and a good friend. His sister, Judy, had me as a panelist in a Vietnam WarSeminar before she retired from her education career. Morris was a regular at Memphis but his health eventually kept him away from all shows.

Greensboro is my next stop and I will be visiting Tamarind Books (tamarind@infionline.net) on February 20. The owner specializes only in books about Southeast Asia. I want to meet him face to face and decide if I will sell my background books for Malayasia, Singapore, Indonesia and Brunei, since I am very sure I will not be writing catalogs for those countries, and will concentrate only on Myanmar (Burma), Lao (Laos), Cambodia (Kampuchea) and Viet Nam and their colonial and military pasts. Then to meet John Carroll on February 21. He is a specialist in French Indochina philatelics but has other "stuff" he emailed me would be of interest to me. I cannot resist seeing new collections that will likely have something new in them!

If any Gramsters are on my line of travel and have something they want to show me, please contact me at HADaniel3@msn.com so I can fit you into my schedule.

The Master Sergeant Daniel in Virginia

Dear Editor,

The photo facility is messed up. It returns a single pog illustration, no way to navigate to anything else unless you know its title (putting in Halloran gets nothing), and shows that there are 165 photos present but no way to access them. It also takes forever to load.

OK, when I went back to it and clicked on that single pog again (I had done so earlier and got a "page not found" message), it opened the lists of photos and allowed navigation. Halloran is now present, but pretty small, even at the full screen setting.

Joe Boling

Dear Editor,

On Sunday Jan. 31st I will be in Berlin with Jack Plapler, one of the four Operation Bernhard survivors.

I will also be in Berlin with Manfred Schulze who built the largest collection of the Lodz Poland Ghetto that includes never-seen-in-public "specimens" of Lodz coinage and currency. I purchased the entire collection and his book rights which is now being translated from German into English. It's possible I will have some of this material to show at the MPC Fest in April.

On Feb. 4th I will be in Prague to meet with Adolf Burger. Adolf is not only an Operation Bernhard survivor but the one whose story was the foundation for the 2007 movie, The Counterfeiters.

Danny Spungen

Dear Editor,

Hello,...Are the two South Vietnam items still available ???..10 dong note and safe conduct pass ??????

Thanks,

Mike Hartnett

Dear Editor,

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> >I must admit that it's not clear to me what "ground truth" is on the subject of military awards to civilians (I wonder if

> >anyone does). For example, I also found this about the Purple Heart on the official VFW web site:

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> >Civilian Eligibility

> >From 1942 to 1997, civilians serving or closely affiliated with the armed

> >forces--as government employees, Red Cross workers, war correspondents and

> >the like--were eligible to receive the Purple Heart. About 100 men and women

> >received the award, the most famous being newspaperman Ernie Pyle, who was

> >awarded a posthumous Army Purple Heart after being killed by a Japanese

> >sniper in 1945.

> >The most recent Purple Hearts presented to civilians occurred after the

> >terrorist attacks at Khobar Towers, Saudi Arabia, in 1996--about 40
U.S.
> >civil service employees received the award for their injuries.
> >In 1997, however, at the urging of the Military Order of the Purple
Heart,
> >Congress passed legislation prohibiting future awards of the Purple
Heart to
> >civilians. Today, the Purple Heart is only for those men and women in
> >uniform. Civilians who are killed or wounded as a result of hostile
action
> >now receive the new Defense of Freedom Medal, created shortly after
the
> >terrorist attacks of Sept. 11, 2001.
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COMMEMORATIVE AIR FORCE ARIZONA WING AVIATION MUSEUM,
by Bill Myers

This museum is located in Mesa, AZ, just outside Phoenix. Within the hangar there are a variety of aircraft on display from biplanes to jets, along with displays of accompanying photos and historical information. World War II aircraft of note are the Sentimental Journey, a flying B-17. It is on display there from the fall to spring, and tours the country the rest of the year. The Maid in the Shade, a B-25 Mitchell bomber is also on display. It was the aircraft used for the Doolittle raid on Tokyo. There were also two flying Spitfires. There were a few numismatic articles amongst the displays. There were multiple Blood Chits, including one on the back of a flight jacket. There was a short snorter with a Hawaiian silver certificate and a Fiji 5 shillings note visible at the end of the chain of notes. There were bond stamp books as well as ration books on display. They also had a few Chinese notes and JIM included in the displays. Though the museum did not have a large amount of numismatic items, there were plenty of World War II items and history on display. It is worth a visit if you are in the area. The museum is open from 1000-1600 7 days a week from October 1 to May 31, and from 0900-1500 Wednesdays-Sundays the rest of the year. Admission is \$10, with a \$1 discount for AAA members, and

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HYPERLINK "<http://www.azcaf.org>" www.azcaf.org. The museum is located at
what was once Falcon Field. Falcon Field was one of six covert British
Flying Training Schools located in the US. It opened in September 1941
and the pilots were trained by Southwest Airlines and 1,400 British
cadets graduated from the school.

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Showa dating is associated with what person/country?

ANSWER:

Japan's Hirohito.
Steve Jinks

ANSWER:

My (Japanese) wife would not forgive me if I missed this one!
The first year of his reign ("Showa-1") was 1925, ergo Showa-20 would be
1945, etc.
John Riley

ANSWER:

Hirohito in Japan. 1926 is the first year of Showa
The Myers

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EDITORIAL

Regarding the previous question, let me quote Remembered on page 523:
"Hirohito became emperor on 25 December 1926. He chose the name Showa
for his reign title, so the year 1926 was the first year of Showa.
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era, add 1925 to the Showa date (1925+2=1927, as shown above)". So it
would seem?? that both John's and Bill's answers are correct in what they
say, although they provided more information than was asked for. Steve
succinctly answered the question. Now let's add a little more confusion
to the matter. The puppet state of Manchukuo was established by the
Japanese in 1932 with Henry Pu Yi using the reign title of Ta T'ung (TT);
in 1934 he was named emperor and the title was changed to K'ang Te (KT).
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David Seelye
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Dear Editor,
There is a LARGE 7th War Loan Sign on the front of a building in a photograph at K120, Listing 13476 in the Tonelli Auction at
<http://www.tonelli-auction-and-collectibles.com/>.
The Master Sergeant Daniel

Dear Editor,
You stated that the SN was lithographed. That is the whole issue. If it is litho (non letterpress) it is likely fake, but I think that you fingers just got ahead of your brain.
Fred Schwan[Fred is correct - things like he describes sometime occur - I was thinking the serial numbers may have been lithographed because of the "flatness" and thinness of the paper, but I should have made it clear that I was, at least until my notes could be examined by Joe, in agreement with Fred's conclusions - Ed.]

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ANSWER TO PREVIOUS QUESTION

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ANSWER:
Thailand.
The Myers

ANSWER:
Thai notes (the Bangkok type). You have peaked my interest enough that I am now looking the questions up in Remembered. If I can only retain this information my get past the first round in the annual contest this spring.
Robbie Robinson.

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EDITORIAL

For a while now I have been trying to find a reference for three notes which I believe are ration items from Sarawak. The basic legend reads "THIS NOTE IS VALID FOR THE EXPORT OF
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[Re the scholarship Fund]

What a rogues' gallery! Good men and women all.
Joe Boling

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John Riley

Dear Editor,

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Fest XI Auction,
by Larry Smulczenski

We are now only two and a half months away from Fest XI and many things have to be completed to make it another fantastic success. Therefore I am making a call to the Gram community that desire to donate items to the Fest Auction for sale to raise funds for the Scholarship fund. We have been very successful in past years raising money to send deserving individuals to the ANA Summer Seminar Military Money Course. Several desirable items have already been promised for this years Auction, one of which, the Eskimo Victory-Bar wrapper, was mentioned by your Editor.

Additionally, individuals who will be attending Fest XI can consign items to the Auction that they want to sell. Because of the popularity of this feature and the limited time available for the auction, we have to limit this privilege to Fest attendees.

Since I travel to the Fest by airlines, I ask that those coming to the Fest, email me a list of the lots that you would like to enter in the auction including a very short description, condition and a starting bid for each lot. Then bring the lots with you to the Fest and give them to me there. I just can't carry everything with me with the current airline security restrictions. Those of you that are not coming to the Fest but want to donate some items, I would ask that you again let me know what the items are, but find someone who is coming to the Fest to bring the item along. If you don't know of anyone that is a Fest attendee, please let me know and we will work it out. My email for all inquiries about the auction, is skitex@verizon.net.

Finally, as I have asked (read that as pleaded with you) in the past, DO NOT WAIT until the last minute to send me a list of consignments or donations. Do it now. It really does take me time to put this all together, printed and packaged to bring to the Fest. A couple of weeks before Fest is TOO LATE. Let's think about it as you read this and get in touch with me.

I really appreciate your understanding.

Rubber Export Coupons by,
Grahame Austin

I quote from Volume One of a copy I have of "Paper Money of the 20th Century (Based on a manuscript by Dr Arnold Keller)" and published in 1973 by the International Bank Note Society:

"Following World War 1 the natural rubber industry in Southeast Asia suffered disastrously from overproduction and falling prices. To protect the industry the British and Dutch entered into an agreement to ration the export of latex. In Malaya each grower, large and small, was given a fixed quota covered by coupons which had to accompany every sale to the exporters.

"These coupons, distributed by the various land offices every month, represented weights from a kati to a picul.

1 kati = 1 and 1/3 pounds

25 katis = 33 and 1/3 pounds

100 katis = one picul

(my understanding is that a picul - 133 and 1/3 pounds or approx. 60 kgs - was determined in the 18th or 19th Century as the weight a Chinese coolie could carry on his back)

"It is reported that many small growers found it more profitable to sell their coupons, called paper rubber, for cash or to exchange them at the local stores for provisions than to harvest and sell their allowance of natural rubber. At times a picul coupon is said to have brought over \$100.00. Even though the black market existed the

restrictions on exports were controlled, resulting in a rise in the price of natural rubber and the stabilizing of the industry.

"All coupons listed were designed and printed by the Survey Department FMS (Federated Malay States). All katis and picul coupons have a watermark monogram 'SDM' (Survey Dept. Malaya) and an outline map of Malaya. Only the Sarawak coupons are printed on the back."

(Incidentally, it was this watermarked paper that was used for the Malta 2 shilling note P 17c)

Early issue coupons were British Malaya issues (1922 - 1928) while mid 1930's to early 1940's issues are known from Federated Malay States, Johore, Kedah, Kelantan, Penang Island, Singapore and Penang Island, Singapore Island, Straits Settlements Mainland, Trengganu, B.L.& P., State of North Borneo and Sarawak. No one appears to know what BL&P stands for so if anyone can throw some light on this they will solve a problem that has puzzled rubber coupon collectors for many decades. A fairly extensive listing of the rubber coupons (with most in colour) can be found in Steven Tan's excellent publication of regular editions of the Standard Catalogue of Malaysia Singapore Brunei Coin and Paper Money. Lesser known coupons were also issued by the Dutch in the Netherlands East Indies but I understand they tend to be a generic less colourful form with the required (and non-standard) weights typed on the face in kgs.

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Answer next time.

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS QUESTION

What security printer manufactured the ruble notes prepared for the occupation of the Ukraine?

ANSWER:

The Security Printer for the WW II Russian Rouble notes was Reichsdruckerei, the Germany State Banknote Printer.

Regards

Brent Arthurson

IBNS Perth Chapter

ANSWER:

Reichsdruckerei

The Myers

EDITORIAL

The response to the question of Picul and Katis rubber coupon notes was swift and very much appreciated. Thanks to Grahame, Wei and the Master Sergeant. I was able to find a 2004 edition of Steven Tam's catalog on line and it looks like that will have what I was looking for in the way of a comprehensive listing of the coupons. Now this begs the question: do these coupons belong in the next edition of Remembered? My answer would be yes as there were issues made during World War II as rubber was a critical war material. A counter argument would be that these rubber coupons were in existence prior to the war and those issued during the forties were just a continuation of previous, non wartime issues. I don't see that point as a prohibition. The fact remains that the current issue of Remembered has similar items already listed. I refer to the Puntke issues and the Port Kunda notes. Remembered also makes mention of other ration issues even though

there are specialized catalogs for those. Subscriber opinion is requested here, but the final decision rests with the authors and our esteemed publisher. Perhaps the whole question is moot and the coupons are already in the draft. What say you Fred?

In the meantime, I will find a listing of those coupons issued during the war and publish it here. I was also able to find a note I did not have on eBay.

Also, congratulations to the Bolings and to son David on his promotion; see Joe's letter in Mail Call

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Dear Editor,

For your question re: "THIS NOTE IS VALID FOR THE EXPORT OFOF DRY RUBBER", the best reference is Steven Tan's "Standard Catalogue of Malaysia, Singapore and Brunei Coin and Paper Money". He's been publishing this since 1960's and renew it's edition every 2-3 years. The newer editions are in full color, including the section with rubber coupons. Let me know if you have problem getting this book. I can probably get one for you as I'm going back to Malaysia for a short break in a week's.

Wei

P/S: The most current edition is 18th edition, 300++ pages, fully colored, priced at USD 31. Heard he's working on a new edition

Dear Editor,

I have a couple of catalogs covering the rubber coupons of Sarawak but I have to be at my Bay House to help the individual wanting the information and I have been stuck at my wife's condo digging her out of snow every few days! Where is that global warming when I need it? The individual can contact me at HADaniel3@msn.com.

I do not see the ANA at Fort Worth in the list of shows and we have a Mini-Fest scheduled for it with COL Myers hosting it at the IBNS meeting on Saturday.

The Master Sergeant Daniel

[The calendar has been updated to include Fort Worth and CPMX - Ed.]

Dear Editor,

The rogues' gallery I was referring to was the list of scholarship winners, not scholarship fund donors. The latter are another group of military nuts.

In reference to the William Murray whose short snorter is on eBay (John Riley pointed us to Murray's picture), I note the following decorations on his discharge document: Air Medal, Purple Heart, Soldier's Medal. That last one is the unusual one.

On 1 Feb 2010, David Boling (YN best of show winner at the 1984 ANA convention in Detroit) was promoted to sergeant major. Louise and I were there and are very proud of his accomplishment.

Joe Boling

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Today we feature the last of Bill Myer's show report and a report on WWII Monopoly. We have discussed the game in prior Grams, but Bill Rosenblum has added some additional info.

Long Beach Show Report,
by Bill Myers

I attended the Long Beach Coins, Stamps & Collectibles Expo 4-6 FEB 2010. It was my first time at the show. I was able to find a few notes that were WWII related but I spent most of my time looking for WWII coins and found about 30 of them. They are not all in "the book"...yet. A MPC Mini-fest was held on 6 FEB 2010 at the Long Beach. It was held after the IBNS meeting but unfortunately there was some schedule confusion with that meeting so some festers may have missed the meeting. It was attended by John Gray, Jim Noll, Ahmad Alomari and Bill Myers. Some military numismatic items were discussed and a subscription to the MPC Gram was sold. To commemorate the event a series 062 2 dollars note with a numbered validation stamp on the face and a flag stamp on the back was issued. I showed a medal I obtained on E-bay. It caught my attention because of the date 9 NOV 1945. It is a medal commemorating the help Denmark gave to France. Beyond that I do not have any other information. A google search did reveal that there were relief organization in Denmark that provided aid to other European countries after the war. As a reminder there will be a Mini-fest after the IBNS meeting at the ANA show in Ft Worth in March.

WWII MONOPOLY,
by Bill Rosenblum

In the Second World War,
an increasing number of shot-down British airmen found
themselves as the involuntary guests of the Third Reich, and

the Military bosses were looking hard at ways and means to facilitate their escape. Now obviously, one of the most helpful aids is a map, showing the locations of 'safe houses' where an escaped POW could go for food and shelter.

Paper maps had some real drawbacks -- they make a lot of noise when you open and fold them, they wear out rapidly, and if they get wet, they turn into mush. Someone in MI-5 got the idea of printing escape maps on silk. It's durable, can be scrunched-up into tiny wads, and unfolded as many times as needed, and makes no noise whatsoever. At that time, there was only one manufacturer in Great Britain that had perfected the technology of printing on silk, and that was John Waddington Ltd. When approached by the government, the firm was only too happy to do its bit for the war effort. By pure coincidence, Waddington was also the U.K. Licensee for the popular board game, Monopoly. As it happened, 'games and pastimes' was a category of item qualified for insertion into 'CARE packages', dispatched by the International Red Cross to prisoners of war. Under the strictest of secrecy, in a securely guarded and inaccessible old workshop on the grounds of Waddington's, a group of sworn-to-secrecy employees began mass-producing escape maps, keyed to each region of Germany or Italy where Allied POW camps were. When processed, these maps could be folded into such tiny dots that they would actually fit inside a Monopoly playing piece.. While they were at it, the clever workmen at Waddington's also managed to add: 1. A playing token, containing a small magnetic compass. 2. A two-part metal file that could easily be screwed together. 3. Useful amounts of genuine high-denomination German, Italian, and French currency, hidden within the piles of Monopoly money!

British, Canadian and American air crews were advised, before taking off on their first mission, how to identify a 'rigged' Monopoly set -- by means of a tiny red dot, cleverly rigged to look like an ordinary printing glitch, located in the corner of the Free Parking square. Of the estimated 35,000 Allied POWs who successfully escaped, one-third were aided in their flight by the rigged Monopoly sets. Everyone who did so was sworn to secrecy indefinitely, since the British Government might want to use this highly successful ruse in still another, future war. The story wasn't de-classified until 2007, when the surviving craftsmen from

Waddington's, as well as the firm itself, were finally honored in a public ceremony. (It's always nice when you can play that 'Get Out of Jail Free' card!)

I realize some of you are probably too young to have any personal connection to WWII

(Sep 39 to Aug. 45), but this is still interesting, isn't it?

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Replacements were indicated by serial letter "G" and "H" for what issues?

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ANSWER TO PREVIOUS QUESTION

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What printer or printers produced Special Army Currency?

ANSWER:Forbes printed 1/2 and 1 DM, Tudor Press printed 2, 5, 10, and 20 DM, the latter 2 without series 1948, ABNC printed 10, 20, 50, and 100 DM series 1948.

The Myers

ANSWER:

Special Army Currency printed by: Forbes Lithograph Manufacturing Corp,
Tudor Press & American Bank Note Co

Robbie Robinson

ANSWER:

The only two I know of are BEP and Forbes
David Ray

Bill and Robbie are correct and David is close, but no one mentioned that the BEP numbered the Tudor issues - Ed.

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EDITORIAL

The reasoning in Grahame Austin's letter about the rubber coupons is sound and does make an argument for their inclusion in the next edition of Remembered. But that is only my opinion and the final word or words need to come from Joe and Fred, who has, as of yet, not commented on this issue. I would think he would be in agreement with Joe, but in light of Grahame's letter perhaps we can get a TWIRR from our esteemed publisher on the subject. As an aside I have found a site on the web where I can get a copy of Steven Tan's book.

The pictures Bill McNease mentions in his email are posted on the website. It is fairly easy to recognize the notes and thus get a rough idea of when and where the photos were taken. I wonder how many replacements and fancy serial numbers are in the group.

Joe Boling has forwarded an email with some interesting World War II photos. There are no numismatic references, but the photos are worth viewing.

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Dear Editor,

While I agree generally with the reasons for excluding rubber export coupons from WW11 Remembered 2nd Edition (will it arrive before my copy of the 1st Edition completely disintegrates?), one could be pedantic about WW11 induced changes. Of the 136 coupons listed in my (15th) Edition of Tan, 32 have validity dates expiring in the 1922 to mid-July 1937 period, 12 in the war lead-up period from July 1937 (after the Marco Polo Bridge affair) to August 1939 and 92 in the September 1939 (invasion of Poland) to 1942 period. It could be argued the increasing number of coupons reflected a rapid increase in demand for rubber for armament purposes. Indeed, a number of Malay States only issued coupons with validity dates in the 1940's. Also, Tan lists 24 of the related Coagulant Unit coupons, all of which were issued with 1940 and 1941 validity periods. Finally, the cessation of issue of export coupons was a direct result of Japanese victories in Malaya,

Singapore and Sarawak (and which no doubt resulted in some of the later issues expiring unused).

Grahame Austin

Dear Editor,

Finally found a couple of the pictures with me as pay officer.

Bill McNease

Dear Editor, This is to my historian friends. First time I've seen these. Too bad there were not more captions

IwoJima photos:

http://picasaweb.google.com/7thfighter/IwoJima?authkey=Gv1sRgCIW06db_6oth&feat=email#slideshow/5299163150448181842 There are a few repeated shots, but keep going until you know you are seeing the same ones again - there might be a couple hundred photos.

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Simon Waksberg
Our Friend September 10, 1921 February 18, 2010,
by Danny Spungen

It is with great sadness, yet such an honor that I take these few moments to write about our dear friend Simon. My family has known Simon for many years through our Bar-Bat Mitzvah events in Memphis that we will always treasure.

However, when Simon took a well deserved center stage at several different Holocaust related events in 2008 and 2009, he captured our hearts forever. In such a short time he also captured the inspiration of so many new people he met, inspiration that will keep all our hearts beating strong whenever he is thought of!!!

Simon spoke with such open passion about his lifes tragic beginnings and blessed post WWII years. I knew Simon was special when I became a student of the Holocaust in 2007. I immediately sensed that Simons smile, sense of humor, and his overall ability to keep an audience fixated with his stories that I had to bring him to Chicago to meet my friends and family. My daughter said it best when I heard her say, Oh, little sweet Simon is coming?

In July 2008 our family hosted an event in Waukegan, IL to display our newly acquired award winning exhibit of letters, postcards, stamps and monies used during the WWII era in ghettos, concentration camps and internment camps. We invited guests from local Rotary clubs, family, friends, and several guests from out-of-state. Although the exhibit speaks for itself, the several survivors of the Holocaust that attended spoke even greater and Simon was the honored

guest! He left Chicago with so many warm hugs, that it was hard to imagine that Chicago had a reputation for being a cold/windy city!!!! There was an incredible leap of hugs when Simon was the featured speaker at many 2009 events in Memphis. In March 2009 Simon spent four days on such a busy schedule that only dignitaries can relate too! In every introduction speech guests were told that Memphis had such an incredible gem right in their own backyard and by the end of the events they all agreed! Simon was busy with events at the Belz Museum, The Civil Rights Museum, The University of Memphis (Bornblum Studies), Memphis Rotary Club, and St. Benedict High School.

Simon was free to talk about his relationship with his old friend Oskar Schindler (Schindlers List), how Schindlers secretary (Martha) named their son Simon, his thoughts about being in the Lodz (Poland) Ghetto, his time at Auschwitz, his beliefs about how he survived and the importance of teaching children/students about respecting one another. The standing ovations at the events were surely special....but those hugs...those hugs from the students at St. Benedict High School.....priceless! A vast majority of the students had never met a survivor and they were touched in a way that not even photos were able to capture! I cant thank the school enough for opening their doors for Simon to share his stories. He was so honored that he spoke about that day until a few weeks before passing away!

Simons final event was extremely special. On June 27th 2009 there was a Money Show in Memphis for collectors of paper money (currency). People from all over the world attend this show every year. I decided to come to this Memphis show for the 1st time but with the main purpose of hosting a very very special dinner in Simons honor. I teamed up with the Marriott Hotel who helped put on an incredible event that brought tears to Simons eyes (and I bet so many of the invited guests).

Simon loved and appreciated the exposure he received from so many people the last two years. Sure he spoke to news reporters in the past, was recorded by the Steven Spielberg Shoah Project but it was the intimate time he had with those he met the last two years that really made him feel so special.

Simon has been a part of all our Foundations Powerpoint presentations and this will continue. In talking with his daughters (Nancy and Berry), I suggested that in lieu of any flowers that any donation received, the money would be equally divided between the Memphis Jewish Home (a nursing home that caters to 75% non-Jewish residents) that Simon was so fond of and the Florence and Laurence Spungen Family Foundation that will apply the money to the Holocaust educational projects we are actively involved in.

Any words of remembrance and/or condolence you wish to send to Simons family, if you wish, you can send to me. I plan to combine responses into a special booklet for Simons family and our Foundations library.

Danny Spungen The Florence and Laurence Spungen Family Foundation P.O. Box 5262 Santa Barbara CA 93150 www.spungenfoundation.org

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The Myers

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The special dinner at Memphis in 2009 was when I first met Simon Waksberg. I was fortunate to be one of those selected to sit at his table at dinner where I heard firsthand of his experiences during and after World War II.

He was a remarkable man. How difficult were his years as a young man in the horror that was Europe not knowing what the next day would bring, or even if there was going to be a next day. I was impressed by his courage and found him to be a warm and gracious man who loved life and his family. We were all fascinated by his stories and good humor; he made us all laugh. It is important that those who experienced the war first hand

tell their stories so that their history may not be lost. Simon was one of those as witnessed by his eagerness to meet and recount his life experience.

We can take solace in the fact that despite the horrors Simon experienced his post war years were happy ones and he lived a good life. It was my pleasure to have known him.

May he rest in peace.

There were a number of photographs attached to Danny's letter; we will get them over to the website.

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Dear Editor,

The Kim Komando website often has a lot of computer answers for me but I was quite surprised to see something about the WWII era North Platte Canteen at <http://videos.komando.com/2009/02/21/the-north-platte-canteen/>. It is a great video showing the ten minutes of love given to every military person coming through North Platte on the troop trains. And please add to the ANA Fort Worth listing in the Gram that I will have a club table at booth 144 at this convention. This club table can be used as a storage/message center for Gramsters and other interested parties. Everyone is welcome to staff it for awhile while I cruise the bourse. My IBNS meeting will be held at Saturday noon in a yet to be assigned room number, and it will include a Mini-Fest by COL Myers during this meeting. The NI Meeting precedes the IBNS Meeting and it will likely have a record number of attendees because Fort Worth-Dallas is the home area for most of the NI officers. I will try to keep/handcuff (if Roger brings some for me) them in the room so we can introduce them to a Mini-Fest!

The Master Sergeant Daniel in Snowy Virginia

Dear Editor,

The discussion regarding the inclusion of rubber export coupons in WWII Remembered is interesting in that it illustrates the old saying: "what goes around comes around". At Summer Seminar 2004 (plus or minus), Harold Kroll gave a presentation on rubber export coupons. He proposed they be included in the next edition of WWIIR and had a spirited debate with Fred on the subject. Now that I think about it, I'm surprised Harold hasn't weighed in on this discussion

Warner Talso

[The idea of hearing from Harold and Fred on this subject is very appealing; I think we would all look forward to hearing what both have to say - Ed.]

Dear Editor

On the IwoJima photos link, the comments before the link came to me from Don Cleveland. My comment was only the last sentence, about keeping going until you know you are seeing repeats.
Joe Boling

Dear Editor,
Please add Mike Buckley and Joe Boling to the list of attendees for Fest XI.
Kim Bartish

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May, Port Clinton, OH. Ray and I are getting excited.

Last year we had over 30 marvelous presentations. Time is running short
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Presentation by Bill Myers

Title: 12th printing of AAFESPOGS

Description: The 12th printing of AAFESPOGS has been issued. Only 10 and
25 cents POGs were produced and there are 13 POGs for each denomination.
Red Bull and Coca-Cola are featured on POGs. It is supposed to be the
last printing. A complete set is now 392 POGs.

This was followed by images of several pogs.

Thanks!

Steve Feller, Co-Educational Officer

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ANSWER: G for Special Army Currency (actually G...G) but only for the lithographed 2, 5, and 20 Deutsche Mark notes made by Tudor Press-- H for Allied Military Currency for Japan, including both A and B series (but not those printed later in Japan).

Neil Shafer

ANSWER:

I suspected that nobody would get the response to today's quiz question completely correct. There is another note that used the letter H to indicate replacements. See Korea SB2619.

Joe Boling

In the answer about printers for Special Army Currency (Tudor Press made 2, 5, 10 and 20 DM notes)- and you said it was correct. If that is so then you are reporting a hitherto unknown note, a 10 DM of that series made by Tudor. Now That would be a rarity!

Neil Shafer

[Thanks Neil, I should have caught the typo.]

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EDITORIAL

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Fest XI is only sixty or so days away so Steve and Ray's request for show and tell topics is very timely. Fest presentations (and they need not be long) are really the core of our annual gathering and do afford us the opportunity to discover things new to us and to learn a little bit more about the hobby. Every year doesn't find a new set of progressive proofs or an previously unreported item, but, who knows, that just might be the case because we don't know what we will find until someone makes a presentation. Like Ray and Steve, I look forward to Fest Saturday so consider telling us about a note or item of particular interest to you.

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Dick Dunn

Dear Editor,
Did you see all the konversionskasse bonds on eBay a couple of days ago? I was hoping to see some comments in the Gram. It seemed strange to see so many different types that WWII Remembered only lists as assumed or reported. They didn't start all that high (\$49.99 or \$69.99), and there was 17 different types. It looked like one bidder bought five of the bonds at the starting bid and another bidder bought one, again at the starting bid. The others didn't sell. I'd like to know why there wasn't any interest in them. Personally, I was just concerned because of the lack of interest and bids. Can't believe no one saw the lots.
Ron Waddell

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Philippine Collectors Update,
by Ray Czahor

Now that I have more or less dug out from 46 inches of snow, I will get an information email out. I am trying to update and correct my information database. Please let me know if you receive two or more copies of this email and which address is primary. I do not have postal mailing addresses for all you get this email. If you did not get a copy last June-July of Mailbid XIII, I don't have your address--please send. If you want to be deleted from these emails, please let me know. Thank you.

1. Final results for Mailbid XIII have been posted on my Web site below:

<http://mysite.verizon.net/cookiejarpi/>

2. Consignments for Mailbid XIV which will occur in the Spring are now coming in. I have three large consignments of Philippine Paper Money including Guerrilla Currency and JIM Notes. I will be including 16 Counterstamps from my personal collection. Also received a very nice collection of Philippine medals, a number I have not seen before. I will be offering several Homma Medals not offered in any recent sales. There will be about 250 lots of WWII books including about 40 notebooks that CM Nielsen put together prior to 1974; they were organized by WWII country, state, province or municipality and included related articles, his letters to officials, an occasional fake note and other miscellanea and could be of high interest to collectors who specialize in WWII countries. Books on Chinese Banking and Numismatics will be heavily represented. Several high grade US/PI coins will be included including a RARE NGC AU55 1906S Peso!! Mailbid XIV will include stamps, tokens, Philippine Numismatic books and new and used coin albums. Cutoff for consignments is 31 March and my charge is 15% but only if the lot sells. Next week I will be starting to list the consignments already received.

3. My web site includes characteristics of fake guerrilla notes from Luzon, KKK, and Palawan. The fake notes are next to the genuine ones and this hopefully will educate all collectors. If you have other detailed notes on fake guerrilla currency, please forward to me and I will make that information available on my website.

4. My website also includes a section with photographs taken at the end of WWII of Manila and may be of interest.

5. Philippine Collectors Forum (PCF). I have submitted a formal application to ANA for a PCF club table and meeting room for the 2010 PCF. We are already on the tentative ANA schedule to meet in Boston, MA on Friday afternoon, 13th of August, 1 - 5PM during the ANA World's Fair of Money. I ask all that can to attend as I believe we will have a number of interesting set of presentations. A significant addition is that I recently salvaged a Hi-end Sharp Video projector and purchased a remote for its operation. It appears to have versatile input options including RGB, RS232, and USB. Hopefully having this video capability plus the normal 35mm and Overhead Projector will encourage many of you to consider doing a presentation this year. Please contact me with ideas.

6. I recently reviewed an in-depth interview with Smithsonian Coin and Currency Curator Richard Doty. For 24 years, Doty has been entrusted with the keys to the Smithsonian's National Museum of American History's legendary coin vault, which houses some of the most important coins in the world. Doty talks about many of those coins, especially the 19th-century gold coins minted by U.S. and private coiners. Although not specifically on Philippine Numismatics, I found Mr. Doty very knowledgeable about most aspects of US coinage.

<http://www.collectorsweekly.com/articles/an-interview-with-smithsonian-coin-and-currency-curator-richard-doty/>

7. I still have in stock the following books/studies if you are interested:

a. Lyman Allen's 6th (2008-2009) edition of "US/Philippine Coins". As in the past, the edition contains new varieties and updated certified coins' listings from the different grading services. Values have been vastly updated. Also included is a coin checklist at the back. Price is \$28 Postpaid to US and APO/FPO addresses. Price to Overseas addresses is \$35 for airmail postage.

b. "History and Mintage Philippine Counterstamped Coins 1828-1839" by Quint Jose MA. Oropilla Y Fortich, M.D. It is well researched containing original archival documents, many photos, and important information about counterstamped coins never before published. This is a large (9 1/2 by 12 1/2 inches) hardbound 225 page book weighing about 4 lbs for shipping. For any Philippine or Spanish Colonies collector having interest in this unique series, you need this book. Cost in the US is \$120 plus \$6 for insured book rate to US addresses. (Overseas addresses please inquire about shipping rates to your country.)

c. "The Philippine 1906S Philippine Peso, Die Characteristics: Genuine and Fake", August 2004. I initially presented this research study at PCF 2004. It has 20 pages with 13 of those color photographs. Cost is \$8.00 postpaid within US and \$10.00 overseas. It was published in the ANA Journal, Summer 2006 edition.

d. A listing of known die combinations used in production of the Homma Medal. I presented this paper at the Philippine Collectors Forum in August 2008 and I exhibited some 20 different Homma medals. Cost is \$5 to US addresses Postpaid and \$7 to Overseas Addressees.

e. I do have in stock the complete series of blue professionally manufactured Philippine Coin Albums issued for Spanish issues, US/PI issues by date/MM and denominations/ through Republic commemorative and minor coin issues by date:

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Questions for this space from subscribers and always welcome and eagerly solicited. The only requirement is that you also provide the answer!

A vignette of Justice appears on an EA Wright note for what country and in what denomination?

Answer next time.

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS QUESTION

What is the significance of the letter "X" on AMC notes; and does that letter have any significance on other issues listed in Remembered?

ANSWER: It means a replacement on AMC. It also means a specimen on BMA notes. In the classification system in WWII Remembered it means canceled. There may be others.

The Myers

ANSWER:

On AMC signify replacements (at least on French AMC). I do not recall if it is in WW2 Remembered but it is 'believed' that X on British Special Vouchers signifies a replacement.

Andrew Keene

[Additional comments on this question are invited - Ed.]

EDITORIAL

We have a letter from "A Fan" in Mail Call acknowledging the fact that we have attained 1900 Grams. Including today's issue that leaves 98 more until we reach two thousand. At our average rate of two per week it will be sometime during February or March of 2011 when the next milestone is reached. My preference, and I think the "Fan" would agree, is to get to 2000 a lot sooner. Of course that depends on submissions and for starters we have some interesting items in the next few days thanks to Jim Downey and Warner Talso. Now if longtime feature writers Joe Boling, Ski and Fred (this is a hint that a TWIRR is overdue) would resume enlightening us with their words or wisdom, we can get to the magic number sometime this year.

John Regitko has made a generous offer to create a special gift for those who collect specific serial numbers; see his letter below. My question is, what about those of us who do not collect specific serial numbers? I, for one, would be happy to donate \$5 to the fund an item with a random serial number.

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Dear Gram,
We let the milestone Gram number 1900 pass without fanfare.
Congratulations. Number 2000 is in our sights.
A Fan

Dear Editor:
I would like to know who collects specific serial numbers of MPCFest Notes.
Anyone that sends me an e-mail with their name and serial number preference by March 22 at coinman@look.ca will receive a very worthwhile gift at MPCFest XI. If they dont think it is worthwhile, I will donate \$5 to the scholarship fund for each and every person who returns the gift to me.
I would also create a master list for those people that issue souvenir sheets and wish to give specific numbers to attendees in future. I would bring copies with me to MPCFests and also publish it in the MPC Gram prior to future Fests.
John Regitko
coinman@look.ca

Dear Editor,
Ski has been off of cox.net for a long time. See the following line from his last email to me:
From: Larry Smulczenski [skitex@verizon.net]
Joe Boling

Dear Editor,
This is the first time I have ever seen these Ceylon Tea Export Coupons for WWII!
http://www.numishop.com/fiche-b16_0815-bi-1-CEYLON_50_Pounds_01_avril_1941.html
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The Master Sergeant Daniel

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www.cpmxshow.com

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amerishow@gmail.com

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March 25 - 27
The Gram that I will have a club table at booth 144 at this convention. This club table can be used as a storage/message center for Gramsters and other interested parties. Everyone is welcome to staff it for awhile while I cruise the bourse. My IBNS meeting will be held at Saturday noon in a yet to be assigned room number, and it will include a Mini-Fest by COL Myers during this meeting. The NI Meeting precedes the IBNS Meeting and it will likely have a record number of attendees because Fort Worth-Dallas is the home area for most of the NI officers. I will try to keep/handcuff (if Roger brings some for me) them in the room so we can introduce them to a Mini-Fest!
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The Emergency Money Collector,
by Warner Talso

In the spring of 1948, a new magazine was initiated by Arlie Slabaugh called The Emergency Money Collector. It was self published and initially consisted of four sheets of 8 X 11 paper folded in half (to make eight pages) and stapled on the spine. Think about it. A self-published magazine was no trivial task before desk top computers and printers. Arlie published only seven issues of The Emergency Money Collector (TEMC). However, theyre fascinating because of the knowledge and attitudes of the time. I will review the issues individually in a short series for the GRAM.

First, an explanation on how I got access to this little known sidebar to our hobby. Arlie died 26 Sep 07. There was an obituary and many remembrances written in The E-Sylum, the on-line magazine of the Numismatic Bibliomania Society. The editor of E-Sylum, Wayne Homren, noted he had a set of TEMC. I wrote Wayne and asked if I could read them. He said he didnt know where they were. He hadnt seen them since his last move. Well, Wayne didnt forget. Over two years later he wrote me and announced that he had found them. He sent them to me about 10 days ago and this is the result of my reading them. By the way, The E-Sylum is a very interesting electronic newsletter full of tidbits related to books and publications. You can subscribe by emailing Wayne at: [HYPERLINK "mailto:whomren@gmail.com"](mailto:whomren@gmail.com) \o "<mailto:whomren@gmail.com>"

VOL. 1 NO.1 is the introductory issue and describes the intent of the magazine. It will be devoted to all types of emergency and necessity money (thats a new term!), to include siege coins, war monies, inflation monies of all countries, depression monies, hard times tokens, and more all emergency issues. Subscription rates were 10 cents per copy or 25 cents per year. Advertising rates ranged from 50 per inch to \$4.50 for an entire page. Advertisers could expect a guaranteed circulation of a minimum of 500 copies. Arlie also solicits input for other authors.

Ukrainian Occupation Issues: During the German occupation of the Ukraine in 1941 the following paper money was issued: 1, 5, 10, 20, 50, 100, 200, and 500 Karbowana.

There is an announcement of MPC Series 461 and 471 associated with World War I. Of course this is a typo, he means WWII. At this point in history, these were apparently the only series known to Arlie. He also lists only two series of BAFSVs.

The feature article is a two page supplement to a book Arlie had recently written on the German Inflation (1920s).

All advertising is for coins and notes from Arlies own stocks. One is a collection of 27 German WWI coins for \$3.00. Also for sale was a Spanish 5 Pesetas note dated Aug.10, 1938, that uses a feature to prevent counterfeiting not used on other paper money. Fine condition. 75 cents. I wonder what the feature was?

Arlie Slabaugh was a trail blazer and icon of our hobby. His is one of those names that I immediately recognize when I see it, like Raymond Toy or Jimmy Swails. People Ive never met, but know of their work.

Arlie Slabaugh was born 26 Apr 25 and died 26 Sep 07. He was a numismatist with many interests. He wrote extensively, usually of topics slightly out of the main stream, such as Confederate currency, tokens, the German inflation, POW issues, and Mexican Revolution coins. He published a pamphlet listing Japanese Invasion Money (JIM) in 1963

In 1941, Arlie joined the American Numismatic Association and later that year he was stricken with meningitis (in the pre-penicillin days) and subsequently became permanently deaf. This illness never stopped him (although many have stories of hard it was to understand him and communicate with him). He received the Krause Publications Ambassador Award in 1989. The ANA honored him with their Lifetime Achievement Award in 2004, the Medal of Merit in 1991, the Glenn Smedley Award in 1997 and the Presidents Award in 1997. In 1981, he received the coveted Numismatic Literary Guild Clemy Award.

One of the subjects of this first pamphlet is the plea to start an Emergency Money Collectors Club. That was a cause for him. I try to imagine what it would be like to invite Arlie to FEST. What would he think?

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There were two printers for a series of MPC: what is the series and who were the printers?

Answer next time.

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A vignette of Justice appears on an EA Wright note for what country and in what denomination?

ANSWER:
French Guiana 5 francs
The Myers

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EDITORIAL

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Have we had enough of winter yet? Here in the Northeast and in many other places throughout the country, the snow has been piling up. At one point there was snow on the ground in all but one state. It seems that once we get the driveways clear there is another storm and we are at it all over again. Last week I joined my wife in Florida for a few days of warm and sun,

but the weatherman didn't cooperate there either. We had clouds, a little rain and temperatures in the fifties and low sixties. The plus side of having to stay inside is that you get to work on the collections. I took a good look at my AMC to see what was missing and what needed upgrading. While at FUN I had seen some 100 Franc France back notes with block numbers I did not have. I decided I needed to have a complete set and not just one example of each issue. I did managed to get a number of the blocks but fell short of completing the set; blocks 4 and 10 are missing. Fortune did smile on me with key block #9 in that I was able to find an AU example priced well below market value. I also had a look at the Flag backs, the issues for Italy, Germany and Japan. Naturally the missing notes are the most expensive. Now we need Mother Nature to cooperate with no snow or airport delays for CPMX which is just two and a half weeks away and where I hope to fill a couple of more holes in the set.

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Dear Editor,
Please add Adolf Witze, Dick and Loretta Freyser to the list of Fest XI attendees.
Kim Bartish

Dear Editor,
I just finished reading a 46 page book copyright 1947 by Professor Vivian V. Clark who was the head of the Mining School at Santo Tomas University. When the Japanese captured Manila , he was interred for three years at the Santo Tomas prison camp starting in January 1942 until freed by Gen MacArthur's Army on February 3, 1945 (three days before Prof Clark found out later, the Japaneses had planned to slaughter everyone in the camp). He took very detailed chronological notes of the harrowing experience which he describes. This copy will be in my next Mailbid XIV sale but I thought the following excerpt on money might be of interest to Gramsters: Chapter VI Rising Prices
"...Loaning money to internees from inside and outside sources was a game for two. Usually the lender won. When in need of funds I borrowed freely, used some of it for charity and held a reserve for emergencies. Repayment was either in Japanese "Mickey-mouse" or Commonwealth Pesos. U.S. Dollars were sometimes obtained from an internee's hoard which he had guarded carefully as the Japs were alert to confiscating hoarded dollars. Some internees signed notes payable at "duration", and/or gave undated checks on banks in the United States, or Manila in lieu of notes. And so the secret clearing house transactions proceeded. How it all worked out in the end I assume that not one internee knows."
Ray Czahor

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TWIRR #48

Know your Alphabet,
by Fred Schwan

I am more than a bit behind in TWIRRing. I have a few significant TWIRRs in progress, but have some work to do on all of them before I can submit them (the editor is really hard on me, sob (that is sob as in cry)). Certainly part of the problem has been the winter Olympics. I have earned a gold medal--boy those medals are really something from a numismatic point of view--in Olympic TV watching and Judy has a silver! There certainly has not been much numismatic there except for the medals themselves. Would like to see a participants medal. That is probably possible on line, but I have not tried it.

While I continue to work on those more important TWIRRs, I have a few other small things. I will give you two of them today.

A few days ago I received my ballot for IBNS (International Bank Note Society--if you are not a member, you should be) elections. I grabbed the ballot and after little more than a minute, cast my vote for my favorite candidate, sealed the envelope and put it aside for mailing.

Fortunately, I then found the eight-page pamphlet that was included: Biographies of Candidates. While I was drinking a senior coffee at a favorite hang out (see also below), I read the biographies. On several counts I was very pleased that I had found--and read--the bios. Most importantly the bios were important with respect to voting. I opened the envelope and cast some more votes.

On a personal level, the most important part was learning about some collectors (and IBNS members) whom I do not know and even learning some things about some others whom I do know.

I have additional comments. Some of them (perhaps) political (collecting politics--not Democrat/Republican). The pamphlet is very nicely done. One laudable thing is that even though the top positions (pres and two vice presidents) are running unopposed, all three have bios in the pamphlet. It would have been nice to have included a picture of each candidate and an email for each as well. The photo may have been too hard or even undesirable politically, the emails would have been easy and appropriate.

Given all of the good things, the bad things are that some candidates did not have bios included, and some representative positions had no candidates.

All in all, good job IBNS and President/Editor Peter Symes.

By coincidence, I chatted with Joe Boling. One or the other of us mentioned the bio pamphlet. Joe reported that he had had nearly the same experience as I in appreciating the pamphlet.

Moving on to the other item on the agenda: yesterday at one of my favorite hang outs for senior coffee, I had an interesting experience. I was drinking coffee and working on world and national problems with a friend. By chance another acquaintance, Bob, was sitting at another table. Probably in response to some comment about the poor return on investments (Wall Street type), Bob volunteered that he had just that day cashed a Series EE bond. Of course that raised my eyebrows and we entered into a discussion. Of course he was amazed that people collect these things (he is certainly not the only one). He went on to tell me how many bonds he has. The number of bonds not to mention the face and redemption values was high. It was hard to convince him that I would like to see them from a research point of view, but eventually I convinced him (I think).

After we got into the discussion had gone on for awhile, he told me about redeeming the bonds that he had inherited from his father. The first thing that he described was their large size. Again he was surprised that I knew about the large format Series E bonds. I volunteered that they were likely war bonds. He had to think for a moment, but then agreed.

Then he had a surprise--a big one--for me. When he had reflected to remember the war bonds, he remembered something else. He volunteered that in addition to many Series E war bonds, there was a Series D bond! Oh my.

If Bob had been surprised when he learned about bond collectors (he was), he was amazed when I then told him about the desirability, rarity, and, yes, value of Series D bonds. Of course none of it mattered because he had redeemed it and all of the war bonds long ago.

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CHAMPIONSHIP QUESTION CORNER

Questions for this space from subscribers and always welcome and eagerly solicited. The only requirement is that you also provide the answer!

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There were two printers for a series of MPC: what is the series and who were the printers?

Answer next time.

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ANSWER TO PREVIOUS QUESTION

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We will leave the last question up since we didn't get any responses.

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EDITORIAL

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This is another of "What is it Worth" stories: A week or so ago there was an offer on eBay for a complete Fanning Island note with a serial number. The opening asking bid was low and being interested (recall I let a complete note and two halves along with a complete information card

get away me at Memphis a couple of years ago) I decided to go to the source and ask Fred how much he thought the note should sell for. I also wanted to make Fred aware of the serial number of the note as it was not listed. The price in the current edition is \$150 for a note in VF condition. Fred said the note should go for around \$600, a price I thought was a bit high, but, what do I know, that's why I called him for advice. Fred decided to check the draft of the next edition of Remembered and said he listed a VF note at \$300. My feeling was that a \$325 bid was in the ballpark based upon our conversation, so that's what I was about to do. Fred suggested that I "snipe"

the note rather than watch the bidding. I looked at Esnipe and decided against it; I don't like giving out my passwords. I watched the note and soon discovered my bid offer was not even close to getting the note. Take a look for yourselves, the eBay item number is 330405717658, and tell me if the note is any better than VF and if you think it is worth the closing bid.

The moral of the story is the note is worth whatever you are willing to pay, or not pay, for it.

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Dear Editor,

This concerns Waddell's question about Konversionskasse bonds that appeared on Ebay recently. The existence of Konversionskasse bonds other than those listed in WWII Remembered has been reported previously in the Gram. I suspect the reason there was little interest in the Ebay auctions is because the prices for the items were high. Over the last few years, the German government has been selling the bonds that were held by the Reichsbank at the end of the war. These are bonds that had been redeemed prior to the end of the war. They are all punch canceled. The bonds had been held all these years by the East German government. They have been recently sold in auction format in large groups. Thousands of bonds representing hundreds of different bond issues have been sold and have hit the market. This included the bonds of the Konversionskasse. These canceled bonds have been widely disseminated to dealers and are not scarce. If you look around and hold on a little while longer, the price will continue to go down. In addition to the bonds, huge numbers of the Konversionkasse Scrip were also sold by the German government. These are also punch canceled, usually with the German word ENTWERTET on the bottom. All denominations were included in those sold including the scarcer 30, 40 and 1000 mark scrip. The Konversionkasse Scrip was reportedly sold as a single lot to a single buyer. He has been trickling them onto the market in complete sets for high prices. He is sitting on a pile of thousands of notes, however. These will also eventually make their way in larger numbers onto the market but in a much more controlled manner and will take longer.

Also, I will be giving a presentation at CPMX at noon on Saturday, March 20, 2010 for the Midwest Chapter of IBNS. The topic will be US Government Checks from the WWII Era. Intel reports indicate a mini-Fest will follow the presentation. Jim Downey

Dear Editor,

I do not recall seeing any report on auction results of the SB unlisted varieties of German KONVERSIONKASSE Bonds in William Rosenblum's last auction #39E. All these have a small punched hole sometimes in the impressed seal. I just added the three individual prices from the auction results. They have two printed facsimile signatures and one actual handwritten signature. Adolph Hitler as Fuhrer along with GrafSchwerrin von Krosigk and Hjalmar Schacht are listed on the back. Illustrations courtesy of Claire Lobel of Coincraft, London, England. Auslands 1 Sept 1935 Serie A RM 200, 500, 1000

.....\$470.00

Auslands 1 Juni 1935 Serie I English pounds 20, 50, 100

.....\$430.00

(All with red-orange revenue / tax stamp impressions)

Holland 1 Nov 1935 Serie I Dutch florins 100, 250, 1000

.....\$775.00

Swiss 1 Juli 1935 Serie IA Francs 200, 500, 1000

.....\$425.00

Colin Bruce

[Pictures for Colin's letter as well as the short snorter Warner mentions in his letter are on the website - Ed.]

Dear Editor,

I was at the JFK Special Warfare Center Museum warehouse cataloging their numismatic inventory and found only one significant piece of interest to Gramsters. It was a 25 Cents Series 641 Replacement with serial J00259405 in VG+ condition. There are many WWII and other war-related pieces in their collection but this was the best one so far. I have to go back and work another two or three days to complete cataloging everything.

The Master Sergeant Daniel

Dear Editor,

Regarding the Ceylonese tea coupons that the Master Sergeant pointed out to us, one is tea, the other rubber. Unfortunately, the phrase "non disponible" on the cgb.fr website means "not available" (in other words, "sold"). And look at the prices that they brought. Fred, did you get this data for "Remembered" (assuming we will need it IF a decision is made to list such coupons as WWII-related).

Joe Boling

Dear Editor,

My local Elko branch post office has been closed. PO Box 6039 no longer valid for mail.

New Address: Edward B Hoffman, PO Box 8027, Spring Creek, Nevada 89815-8027

Thanks,
Ed Hoffman

Dear Editor

The following is from The E-Sylum, Volume 13, Number 09, February 28, 2010 . We have a standing agreement with Wayne Homren, Editor of The E-Sylum, to print each other's news items.

This is from Michigan's Muskegon Chronicle about a local man's "Short Snorter" and efforts to learn its history.

The 1935 one-dollar bill, its edges frayed and its color faded, reads like a World War II history book.

Scrawled on the back of the bill is a list of some of the most notable spots in the history of the war. The entries start with the U.S. at Camp Perry, Ohio, and end with the former eastern European nation of Yugoslavia.

In between are some of World War II's most historic spots, including Omaha Beach, France, where thousands of Americans lost their lives in one of the war's defining periods.

But who carried the worn dollar continues to puzzle Ed Sechen, an 82-year-old Norton Shores resident who was handed the bill by a friend 20 years ago.

"It must be from a soldier from that time," said Sechen, a lifelong coin collector who was attracted by the history of the bill. "It looks like he went to a lot of different places."

It wasn't uncommon for soldiers to record a list of places they visited on a dollar bill, said John McGarry III, executive director of the Lakeshore Museum Center in Muskegon. The bill's event had a name: a "short snorter," McGarry said.

Some service members had other soldiers sign their dollar bills during their travels.

"First of all, you want something easy to carry and that you're not going to lose," McGarry said. "You can fold up a dollar bill and put it in your pocket."

He said the practice dates back at least to the Civil War when soldiers would write the names of locations they visited on canteens.

To read the complete article, see: Short snorter' dollar bill is a piece of World War II history -- and

mystery(www.mlive.com/news/muskegon/index.ssf/2010/02/short_snorter_dollar_bill_is_a.html)

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Colin R. Bruce II.....

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Series 11, No. 1905 Friday, March 5th, 2010

What Series MPC Was It?,
by Jim Downey

On page 188 of the MPC Catalog is a publicity photograph from a March of Dimes campaign in which a female US Army officer is presenting a piece of MPC to two other Army officers. The caption incorrectly identifies it as a Red Cross donation. The poster in back of the picture shows it as the March of Dimes. This has been pointed out to Fred Schwan previously and the correction will be made in the next edition.

The picture is good enough to make out the note being presented but, as the caption notes, it is not possible to tell whether the note is from Series 461 or Series 471. The picture is in black and white, so the difference in color between these series is not evident. Other clues in the picture can help to identify which MPC series is involved.

Both of the seated officers are wearing ribbons for the US Army of Occupation medal. The officer on the right has the ribbon on backwards, but it is clearly this ribbon. It is the right design and is in the correct position for order of precedence of the ribbons to be the Army of Occupation ribbon.

The Army of Occupation medal was authorized in 1946, but was not first issued until April 1947. The first recipients were Generals Eisenhower and MacArthur who received their medals from President Truman.

Eligibility for the medal was thirty days of service within one of the specified occupation zones. These are as follows:

- Germany (May 9, 1945 to May 5, 1955)
- Austria (May 9, 1945 to July 7, 1955)
- Berlin (May 9, 1945 to October 3, 1990)
- Italy (May 9, 1945 to September 15, 1947)
- Japan (September 3, 1945 to April 27, 1952)
- Korea (September 3, 1945 to June 29, 1949)

The medal has a depiction of the Ludendorff railroad bridge at Remagen Germany on the obverse. On the reverse is a depiction of Mount Fuji in Japan. A picture of the medal and other information about it can be found at:<http://usmilitary.about.com/od/armymedals/ss/aoww2.htm>
For this discussion, the important date is the first date of issue -- April 1947. The conversion from MPC Series 461 to Series 471 occurred in March 1947. Since the Army of Occupation Medal was not first awarded until after the 461/471 conversion, the notes in the picture could only be Series 471. To complete the analysis of the picture, it was most likely taken in Japan as the patch on the officer to the right is the US 8th Army patch. The 8th Army participated in the occupation of Japan during this period.

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Questions for this space from subscribers and always welcome and eagerly solicited. The only requirement is that you also provide the answer!

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There were two printers for a series of MPC: what is the series and who were the printers?

Answer next time.

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ANSWER TO PREVIOUS QUESTION

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We will leave the last question up since still we didn't get any responses.

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EDITORIAL

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Take a closer look at Brad Peacock's photo in Jim's article. Anyone care to identify any of the other ribbons on either of the male officers?. How about those hash marks? Is the female officer a first or second lieutenant?

On another subject - my nephew gave me a book for Christmas and I recently got around to taking a good look at it. The book is America's Money America's Story, Second Edition, by Richard Doty with a forward by Q. David Bowers. It tells the story of our money from Colonial times up to the present with numerous color photographs. Of particular interest was the World War II era which included mention of wartime nickels, steel cents and coins struck by the Mint for other countries. In addition to a recruiting poster featuring Gen Doolittle there were photos of an Hawaii five dollar bill, a North Africa yellow seal dollar and two examples of French AMC. The five franc note is a specimen, all zeros in the serial number, as is the 1000 franc note with word SPECIMEN in red stamped on the bottom face. (I had not seen French AMC specimens with the red overstamp and would like more information)

The note is also a replacement, and has an interesting serial number (00393903). The section goes on to briefly explain the use of the notes and the reasoning behind their issue. My surprise came when I looked at the bibliography. Many references were cited for Mr. Bowers and a number for the author. In the World Issue section Neil Shafer's book on US Territorial coinage for the Philippine Islands was mentioned, but I saw no reference to World War II Remembered. How can this be? Can you write a book on US currency and not cite "the book" when discussing the Second World War? Richard Doty, from what I am told, is the curator of the Smithsonian money collection, which

I would think, are the source of the photographs. Does the museum have a copy of Remembered, and, if not, why not? Is it a situation where our esteemed publisher was somewhat frugal with the advertising back in 95 and Mr. Doty and others did not get the word? Or, perhaps Messrs. Doty and Bowers are aware and chose not to reference it or include it in the bibliography.

Whatever the reason, in my humble opinion, when the next edition is released (whenever that might be) every effort should be made to make sure the word get out and the Smithsonian has a copy.

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Dear Editor,

A short note about the Konversionkasse bonds in my last auction before we take our grand kids to the Denver mint. Prices realized for my sale can be found at <http://rosenblumcoins.com/39e/pricesrealized>.

Jim and Colin are correct that both the bonds and the canceled notes have started to appear in the past 3 or 4 years. There seem to be two types of cancellations and I'll probably send a note to the gram about the differences when I get the time which is something I don't seem to have.

The non-canceled notes in the 30, 40 and 100 RM denominations are still scarce and desirable.

Bill Rosenblum

Dear Editor,

I just finished reading a 46 page book copyright 1947 by Professor Vivian V. Clark who was the head of the Mining School at Santo Tomas University. When the Japanese captured Manila, he was interred for three years at the Santo Tomas prison camp starting in January 1942 until freed by Gen MacArthur's Army on February 3, 1945 (three days before Prof Clark found out later, the Japanese had planned to slaughter everyone in the camp). He took very detailed chronological notes of the harrowing experience which he describes. This copy will be in my next Mailbid XIV sale but I thought the following excerpt on money might be of interest to Gramsters: Chapter VI Rising Prices

"...Loaning money to internees from inside and outside sources was a game for two. Usually the lender won. When in need of funds I borrowed freely, used some of it for charity and held a reserve for emergencies.

Repayment was either in Japanese "Mickey-mouse" or Commonwealth Pesos. U.S. Dollars were sometimes obtained from an internee's hoard which he had guarded carefully as the Japs were alert to confiscating hoarded dollars. Some internees signed notes payable at "duration", and/or gave undated checks on banks in the United States, or Manila in lieu of notes. And so the secret clearing house transactions proceeded. How it all worked out in the end I assume that not one internee knows."

Ray Czahor

Dear Editor,
Please add George Fitzgerald and Bill Haines to the list.
Kim Bartish

Dear Editor,
The realized price for the Fanning Island uncut note on eBay was amazingly accurate, reflecting the market value for this note. Here are some recent auction records.

Lyn Knight...6/02.....F-VF.....	\$510.00
Lyn Knight...4/03.....choice VF.....	\$990.00
Lyn Knight...11/03.....VF.....	\$630.00
Lyn Knight...11/04.....F-VF.....	\$490.00
Smyth.....3/08.....VF.....	\$920.00
Goldberg....5/08.....VF.....	\$775.00

These prices include buyers fees.
Perhaps \$300 for a VF is a bit out of touch with the real market and has been so for quite some time.
Thought you would find this interesting. I have never seen an EF Fanning 1 pound. My point was that the market determines what a banknote is worth, not how an individual collector feels about it. I have always believed this is a real market and that the pieces of paper we sell and buy have real value. Of course, on occasion we can all make a steal on a particular note.
See you at CPMX.
Mel Steinberg

Dear Editor,
The time for my presentation at CPMX is 3:00pm on Saturday March 20, not noon as I previously reported. A mini-fest will follow.
Jim Downey

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The Gram that I will have a club table at booth 144 at this convention. This club table can be used as a storage/message center for Gramsters and other interested parties. Everyone is welcome to staff it for awhile while I cruise the bourse. My IBNS meeting will be held at Saturday noon in a yet to be assigned room number, and it will include a Mini-Fest by COL Myers during this meeting. The NI Meeting precedes the IBNS Meeting

and it will likely have a record number of attendees because Fort Worth-Dallas is the home area for most of the NI officers. I will try to keep/handcuff (if Roger brings some for me) them in the room so we can introduce them to a Mini-Fest!

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Series 11, No. 1906 Monday, March 8th, 2010

The Emergency Money Collector
VOL.1, NO.2 Summer 1948,
by Warner Talso

Arlie Slabaugh, Editor, reports that the first issue was a great success. Now he needs contributions from readers to keep the ball rolling. Also, he finds it necessary to raise advertising rates to cover the high cost of printing. Advertising rates are now \$1.25 per inch or 3 cents per word. A quarter page ad is \$3.50, a half page is \$6.50 and a whole page is \$12.00.

Arlie announces he is moving from the West Virginia School for the Deaf to Oakland, Maryland.

There is a new feature called The Question Box (What a novel idea). The first question is: What is the highest denomination of inflation paper money ever issued? The answer is 100,000,000,000,000,000,000 Pengos issued by Hungary in June 1946. If you have any questions for this feature, send them in!

There is an article on Unusual Notgeld Issues Of Germany (1921-23).

There are two interesting features of this article. First, the listed issues (14 with various denominations) were all printed on silk or linen. Second, the article was translated from German by Arlie, himself.

The featured article of this issue is the start of a Catalog of World War II Monies. These are all emergency issues. This article concentrates on National Government Issues. Just think, this article of 3 pages might be the first effort to catalog WWII emergency issues. The ancestor of SB and its 864 pages Arlie wants to expand this and asks readers to submit input. Future articles will cover private, occupation, and military issues. Arlie is very aware that there many unknowns yet to be discovered. What is very interesting about this list is that they are mostly coins about 90%. They are national governments and French colonies. There are two governments listed that are not in SB (by my inspection). These are coins of Bulgaria and Egypt. It is not particularly confusing, but Arlie uses several older terms for countries, e.g., Siam for Thailand.

Advertised for sale is a set of Japanese Invasion Money (JIM) prepared for the invasion of the United States Hawaii, and Alaska. All notes

uncirculated. Nine pieces. No price listed. The seller, Norman Shultz of Salt Lake City , caveats the purpose by saying that this is the opinion of the Numismatic Scrapbook Magazine. Of course, we know that this JIM was used in the occupation of Malaya where the language was English and the money denominated in dollars and cents.

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CHAMPIONSHIP QUESTION CORNER

Questions for this space from subscribers and always welcome and eagerly solicited. The only requirement is that you also provide the answer!

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What German city(cities) were are known to have had a United States Barter Store during the World War II occupation period?

Answer next time.

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ANSWER TO PREVIOUS QUESTION

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There were two printers for a series of MPC: what is the series and who were the printers?

ANSWER:

Series 481; Forbes and Tudor
The Myers

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EDITORIAL

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My March copy of Bank Note Reporter arrived yesterday and in reading through I found a piece on the upcoming Memphis Show. For the benefit of those who do not get BNR and to invite some comments from those who do here's two new developments: An educational forum is being organized for Saturday where a variety of topics on paper money and stamps will be presented by various speakers with coordination of the various club meeting typically held on Saturdays. It has come to us, although not confirmed, that Joe Boling is scheduled to be one of the speakers and a presentation by Howard Daniel and myself is in the planning stage. More on this and the topics to be covered when more confirmed information becomes available. The new format is in conjunction with the addition of fifteen to twenty additional tables of ASDA stamp dealers and hopes to demonstrate the "crossover interest" between paper money and stamp collectors. This fits in rather well with the idea of including a stamp section in the next edition of Remembered and it will be interesting to see what postal issues will be available. The article says there will be "an exhibit of the finest quality encased postage known today." The dates for the show, according to the BNR piece, are June 18, 19 and 20, so it would appear, at least at this time, that the rumored (at least year's show) day early start will not happen. More information will be forthcoming I am sure.

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Dear Editor,

Read through Jim Downey's comments on the picture in question on page 188 of the MPC catalog. What I would ask is this, who;s to say 100% that it was either of the two mentioned; Blood Drive or March of Dimes? There is the possibility that both were going on in the same time period.

Harold Kroll

Dear Editor,

Reference the following query by Warner Talso in Gram 1903:

All advertising is for coins and notes from Arlies own stocks. One is a collection of 27 German WWI coins for \$3.00. Also for sale was a Spanish 5 Pesetas note dated Aug.10, 1938, that uses a feature to prevent counterfeiting not used on other paper money. Fine condition. 75 cents.

I wonder what the feature was?

The Spanish 5 peseta note from 1938 in question, Pick-110, was printed by Gesiecke & Devrient in Germany. The security feature was thick strips of paper embedded in the paper. The feature was also used on notes printed by G&D for Croatia.

Jim Downey

Dear Editor,

I have found the www.OMSA.org medal data base very helpful at times and is very friendly to the user although they have a long way to go to be much nearer to completion. It is a monstrous task indeed.

Cheers,

Colin Bruce

Dear Editor,

Regarding Roger's Fanning Island piece - what is it worth? I now have thirty-three serials recorded for complete notes, so there are a lot more than we knew about in 1995. But most buyers don't have that information yet. As for grade, I agree it's no better than VF technically (I wish we had been shown the back), but it might get an EF-40 from a grading service. The EF value in the draft SB is \$800, vs the \$350 for VF. With 36 bids from about a dozen bidders, obviously someone thinks it's worth more than \$350.

Study the bidding, and you will see why sniping is recommended. Poor Mr 6...o thought it was worth that \$350 level, crept up to it, and ultimately dropped out (was that you, Roger?). The winner never bid on the piece at all, not revealing his top number to anyone except the underbidder. The underbidder, also a one-time bidder on the lot, was not a sniper, but a lurker. He either didn't want to go any higher or got caught by the clock before he could respond to the sniper. a...a, an eBay novice, had been bidding all along, and was also at his keyboard as the

lot closed, and did not respond to either of the top two bidders. He had been going up in \$50 jumps, and had time to get to \$750, but didn't pull the trigger. Of course, if you thought the piece was worth no more than the draft SB says, then sniping would have left you in the dust anyway. Your snipe would not have been executed, because that level was passed fifteen hours before the sale closed. When SB is republished, we probably should not take this sale as a price-setter because the bidders probably did not know that there are 33 pieces recorded - but it certainly looks like \$350 for VF is too low. Does anyone know who the seller is - bisco5? Joe Boling.

[To answer Joe's question, I did not bid on the note at all; I considered a snipe bid but did not want to leave them my password; paranoia on my part I am sure. I watched the bidding and realized the note was out of my price range. I have purchased from bisco5 on prior occasions with very positive results. - Ed.]

Dear Editor,
Master detective Jim Downey has done an excellent job of solving the question, "What Series MPC Was it?" in gram 1905. The logic is so simple and the proof so clear, "Why didn't I think of that?". This type of research from a fellow FESTER is GREAT and makes the black and white photo on page 188 come "alive" in living color. Thanks Jim for a excellent article.
Jim Aitken

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Book Report:
Latin America During World War II.
Edited by Thomas M Leonard and John F Brazel.
Rowman & Littlefield Publishers, Inc. 2007, 226 pages.
by Bill Myers

Although it appears that Latin Americas involvement in World War II was limited to sending some soldiers from Brazil and pilots from Mexico, Argentina and Chile to fight the war as well as allowing a few US bases. But in reality, Latin America was significantly involved in and affected by the war. Its proximity to the United States and its available resources made it of great interest to the US.

This book covers in detail the political, economic and military effects of World War II on Latin America. Latin America provided critical resources (oil, copper, nickel, aluminum, and food, to name a few) to the United States and some Latin American countries allowed US bases to be established in their territory. These efforts had a positive impact on the war for the Allies.

The book would be interesting to a World War II buff, but what is the relevance to a World War II numismatist? First, where there were military bases, there may have been numismatic items issued. World War II Remembered discusses an U S Navy emergency small change issue from Maceio in Brazil on page 43. Secondly, the book discusses the economic changes in the Latin American countries that were created by World War II. These changes led to monetary changes and thus changes in the currency issued. A majority of the changes in currency involve coins rather than paper issues. A large number of Latin American countries were effected and as a the result is that you may find more Latin American countries included in the text in the future edition of World War II Remembered, if the editors agree.

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Answer next time.

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ANSWER TO PREVIOUS QUESTION

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What German city(cities) were are known to have had a United States Barter Store during the World War II occupation period?

ANSWER:

Berlin and Frankfurt.
George Slade

ANSWER:

Barter stores in Berlin and Frankfurt
David Seelye

ANSWER:

German cities with barter stores were Berlin and Frankfurt. Berlin barter unit notes are very rare while some of those from the several different Frankfurt issues are met with on occasion.
Neil Shafer

ANSWER:Berlin and Frankfurt
The Myers

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EDITORIAL

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I plan to place an exhibit at the Memphis Show and wondered where to get an application now that the show has been taken over by Lyn Knight. A few calls found that, in actuality, nothing had changed. Longtime exhibit chairman Martin Delger is still handling the application process. A short telephone conversation later, an application is on its way. I also plan to place an exhibit at the ANA World's Fair of Money this summer in Boston. Going to www.money.org should get that application process started. That brings me to the FEST. If memory serves, Joe Boling is/was FEST exhibit chairman a year or two back. I do not recall any exhibits at FEST X, most likely because of the high attendance and time constraints. We already have about sixty Festers registered for this year's gathering, and perhaps the same conditions apply this year with a bourse, March madness, presentations and an auction all scheduled. Space limitations also present a problem. Will there be enough room/time for a limited number of exhibits? It is something to consider and the decision, of course, is up to the organizing committee (that would be Fred I would think). Perhaps a couple or three cases can be set aside for a short period of time in an evening or early afternoon for items of special interest.

One week to CPMX and four and a half weeks to FEST.

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Dear Editor,

Noting Joe Boling's comment that he has now recorded 33 serial numbers for Fanning Island complete notes, I sent a comment on the serial numbers to the Gram last week, but it appears to have been lost "in the ether". For what it is worth, I repeat the earlier email below (and which contains 41 numbers). I would be very interested to learn whether Mr Boling's list contains any numbers I have not recorded.

"Regarding the comments on the recent eBay auction for a complete Fanning Island note, I was reminded that some time ago I sent a list of serial numbers for complete notes to the Gram (I have for some years been maintaining a list of known numbers starting with those in WW11 Remembered and adding others as I saw them in dealers hands, in auction catalogs or recent articles in numismatic magazines etc.) For those interested, the current list is as follows:

1001, 1023, 1078, 1117, 1127, 1128, 1133, 1209, 1253, 1322,
1333, 1343, 1351, 1376, 1380, 1382, 1409, 1427, 1437, 1463,
1520, 1531, 1583, 1628, 1634, 1656, 1713, 1767, 1778, 1801,
1806, 1840, 1851, 1855, 2508, 3027, 3039, 3104, 3157, 3175,
3416.

In addition, there have been reports (and one sighting by me) of a "few" complete notes without a serial number."

Grahame Austin

PS Yahoo does not recognise the email address toMPCgram@yahoo.com (as it appears in the last couple of Grams) and perhaps it did not recognise mpcgram@yahoo.com which is where I sent the original email. I hope it recognisesMPCgram@yahoo.com .[Yahoo, as I have mention prior, sometimes has a mind of its own and decides it wants things a certain way and no matter what you do, it cannot be changed, until Yahoo decides, without warning to change it back. I think that is what Grahame is experiencing - mail should be addressed to MPCGram@yahoo.com; the address is not case sensitive, at least, not this week - Ed.]

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I have one set of three denominations of all four issues of the German Konversionkasse Bonds similar to those listed in William Rosenblum's Auction #39E. I collect WW II militaria - uniforms, flags, orders and medals, etc., etc. and world paper currencies including certain stocks and bonds and various other world numismatic items.

Colin R. Bruce II.....

Cowpatch Palms, WI

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Buying both coins and paper.

Please bring to the Fest.

I have a bourse table!.

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Danke!!

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Editors Note: Tom O'connell wrote in with the following on Pablo the Buffalo. I did a little back tracking and came up with Tom Koch's Gram article. It occurred to me that we all might enjoy reading Tom's excellent report. It is re-posted after the letter. Perhaps Art will send his completed article to the Gram.

In doing some research on Pablo the Buffalo from Series 692 \$1.00, I found the MPCGram with an article by Tom Koch. Just want to say that I will reference the article in a paper that I'm writing this April. It's a super article and I'm sending my thanks for it.
Art OConnell

Series 003 - Number 723 Saturday 9 Sep 2002

> >
> > Pablo on Series 692 \$1
> >
> >By Tom Koch
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> >After the writing of gram 692; I wanted to do more on
> >one of the vignettes that I particularly liked, the
> >bison on the 692 1.00. This is what I have to share:
> >
> >William Cox, Associate Archivist at the Smithsonian
> >Institute Archives shared with me:
> >
> >"National Zoological Park Bison #2926, purchased from
> >Michael Pablo on October 23, 1897, was the model for a
> >rendering by C. R. Knight which appeared on a \$10 note
> >that was issued in 1901. I have found no evidence that
> >the animal was actually named Pablo, but it is
> >reasonable to assume that the head keeper may have
> >called the bull by that name to differentiate him from
> >other bison at the zoo.

> >
> >Michael Pablo was a Montana rancher who became
> >involved in Buffalo conservation during the latter
> >part of the 19th century. Around, 1900, Pablo sold a
> >large herd of bison to the Canadian government which
> >is the basis of the present day bison population in
> >Canada. There is a wildlife refuge named for Pablo in
> >Montana."
> >
> >Additionally, I received a copy of the specimen card
> >on Bison #2926 from the Smithsonian:
> >
> >Specific Name: Bison Americanus
> >Sex: Male
> >Common Name: American Bison
> >Catalogue Number: 2926
> >Date of receipt: Oct. 23, 1897
> >Received from: M. Pablo, Ronan, Missoula Co. Montana
> >How Acquired: purchase: (\$500)
> >Died: Oct 3, 1914
> >Remarks: C. R. Knight's drawing for the ten-dollar
> >bill was made from this animal.
> >
> >I wanted to find a copy of Knight's drawing so pursued
> >that avenue.
> >
> >I found a source titled "The Buffalo Book - Full Saga
> >of the American Animal" by David A. Dary, Sage Books,
> >Wallow Press, Ohio University Press. On page 282 of
> >that work:
> >
> >Although William Hornaday claimed that the stub-horn
> >buffalo he killed in Montana and mounted for the
> >Smithsonian was the model for the "Buffalo-bill,"
> >Charles R. Knight, the artist, wrote in 1929:
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> >"This drawing was done at the Zoological Park in
> >Washington and not from the Museum group. The story of
> >that drawing, however, gives a little light on the
> >idea that it might have been done from the mounted
> >group. A certain Mr. Baldwin, an engraver for the
> >Bureau, was trying to make a drawing from the Museum
> >group when I offered to do this for him. Only too
> >gladly he hustled me over to the Bureau and I was
> >commissioned to do the drawing, which I promptly
> >did-from the Zoo specimen" fn7
> >
> >Foot Note 7 provides much added detail:
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> >"The Bureau (BEP) furnished additional details:
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> >'A wash drawing by Charles R. Knight was the original
> >subject material used in preparing the vignette it for
> >the series 1901 10.00 bill. The note was engraved by

> >G. F. C. Smillie and M. W. Baldwin, who were Bureau
> >employees. However, there is no record of who is
> >credited as being the designer of the note (and)
> >nothing can be found concerning the identity of C. R.
> >Knight' {Letter to author from Micheal L. Plant,
> >October 20, 1971}
> >
> >Poor Charles Knight. In 1915, Frank Baker,
> >superintendent of the National Zoo, wrote that Knight
> >had done the \$10 bill drawing from a buffalo in his
> >zoo, but a quarter of a century later Knight had to
> >clarify the matter again. In 1915 Baker could easily
> >refer to Knight as "the well known illustrator"
> >(Smithsonian Annual Report for 1914, 447), but in 1971
> >the Bureau of Engraving and Printing did not even know
> >who Knight was. For the record, Charles Robert Knight
> >(1874-1953) was an American Painter, illustrator,
> >sculptor, and author, whose biographical facts can be
> >found in many standard encyclopedias.' "
> >
> >In the David Dary work there is a photographic picture
> >of our beloved bison; I am still in search of a copy
> >of the previously mentioned "wash drawing" and am
> >obtaining a book via interlibrary loan to hopefully
> >obtain that.
> >
> >I had previously emailed the BEP wanting to obtain an
> >identifying number for the bison vignette and they
> >responded; "We are not sure by what you mean in regard
> >to an identifying number for the vignette. "
> >(Disappointing to say the least.)
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> >On a closing note: maybe we can, through DNA research,
> >identify a descendant of said bison and invite him
> >(her) to the next MPCfest.

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ANSWER:

Just a guess, Korea?

David Ray

ANSWER:
Korea
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EDITORIAL

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There was a brief discussion of Rubber Coupons a few Grams prior and we talked not only of the coupons, their inclusion in the next edition of Remember but also of a book by Steven Tan cataloging the coupons and other numismatic items from Malaysia, Singapore and Brunei. Well the book I found on the Internet and subsequently ordered arrived today. The full title is "STANDARD CATALOGUE OF MALAYSIA SINGAPORE BRUNEI COIN & PAPER MONEY, 16th Edition (2003-2005). The book lists five denominations of FMS (Federated Malay States) War Loan Bond Certificates and War Loan Bond Coupons in denominations ranging from \$1.50 to \$150. These items are also covered in the current edition of Remembered on page 238.

Also listed are Rubber Export Coupons in various denominations from British Malaya, the Federated Malay States, Singapore and Sarawak to name a few. In addition there is a page devoted to Share Certificates which were "valid for exchange for a permit to plant rubber" There are three denominations (1, 2 and 5) or shares, a share being equal to 1/20 Acre or 8 Poles. These look to be somewhat uncommon based on the catalog value of RM600 to RM850. There are also two pages illustrating Coagulant Units Coupons in denominations of one, two and five units. These are dated 1940 and 1941 which puts them in the same category of the pre-war and war dated Rubber Export Coupons. I'll look forward to looking at the book in more detail and to doing a little research on the coupons and undoubtedly adding more notes to my collection. One of the attractions of Remembered is that it describes not only banknotes but other means of exchange all of which are collectible. The Rubber related pieces are in this category and would only add to a collection of World War II numismatic items.

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Dear Editor,

In Gram 1907, you made a comment about "I do not recall any exhibits at FEST X". Au Contraire. As we get older our minds do tend to slip a little especially with respect to the relative near term. You probably remember real well your first date, but have a hard time remembering where you put the car keys last night. So let me try to refresh your memory.

You know how I hunt you out and ask you to sign the short snorter usually right after you arrive at the fest. Now recall that since last year was the tenth Fest, we had on exhibit the short snorters from all ten of the fests. There were other exhibits there also and I know you should remember them because you helped me chase down the exhibitors to empty

their cases so we could put in the auction lots on Saturday night. But I appreciate your perfect lead in for my plea.

I started getting attendees at Fest One to sign an MPC note as a souvenir and a remembrance. Since it was Fest I, it had to be on series 461.

Fest II saw the use of a series 471 note; Fest III--a 472 note and so forth. Each Fest using the corresponding numerical released series note. So here we are at the eleventh Fest and to follow tradition, I use a note from the eleventh series of MPC. That would be Series 661. I have been using the \$10 (after Fest I where a \$5 was used) since the \$10 was usually more available than a \$5. Hence my dilemma. I have been looking for a 661 \$10 for the last year, and am running out of time.

Dave Seelye came up with one that appeared to fit my requirements, but as he packaged it to send to me, he noticed that the planchettes were drawn on -- it was counterfeit. So I turn to the Gram Audience with my plea.

Does anyone of our readers have a nice 661 \$10 note that they will sell me. I am not looking for a high grade

note, but it cannot be a limp rag. By that I mean that it has to have some of it's original crispness so that it can be written on. A tear or two are OK, even a small hole. I can accept a little writing, especially if it is in a margin. If you have a note that you think might fit my needs and are willing to sell it, please, please, please email me at skitex@verizon.net and lets talk.

[Dear Larry, I can agree with your assessment that the relative near term is the first (or maybe the second thing) to go, but it gets worse: I don't remember my first date either! - Ed.]

Dear Editor,

Grahame Austin's list of fanning Island complete notes contains several numbers not known to me. My list includes two that will be new to him - 1218 and 3116 (a short snorter).

On the subject of Fest exhibits, we always have exhibits on Friday night at Fest (and did last year as well). There are never more than 8-10 cases available, so large exhibits cannot be accommodated. If you can keep your exhibit down to 1-2 cases, we can get more into the space (along the left wall in front of the slot machine). Install your exhibits during the bourse, so Festers can see them Friday and Friday evening. They have to be removed Saturday so that auction lots can be laid out in the same cases. There is no exhibit competition at Fest, so it's fine to pile your exhibited items up close to each other or even overlapping, to conserve space.

Regarding exhibits in Boston at the ANA, get your applications in early as space is limited. Competitive exhibitors are limited to ten cases total (and still have the limits of four total exhibits and no more than two in a class). There will be no non-competitive exhibits except a few that have been arranged by the local committee and one that applied before the case limitations were imposed. Late application will probably mean being placed on a waiting list.

Joe Boling

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Wartime Currencies,
by Ray Czahor

After reviewing chapter VII (WWII Years) in the "History of the Bureau of Engraving and Printing 1862-1962, I thought he following might be of interest to MPCGram readers:

> >"Money As a Weapon"

> >After the attack at Pearl Harbor, naval and military leaders were concerned that the "threat of an invasion of Hawaii still existed. It was against this background that the Treasury department decided to withdraw all U.S. currency of regular design from circulation and to replace it with a special issue of notes for exclusive use there. This action was necessary as a step toward the complete economic defense of Hawaii. Thus the Bureau was called upon for the first of the wartime currencies."

> >"The special Hawaiian issue comprised \$1 silver certificates and \$5, \$10, and \$20 San Francisco Federal Reserve notes. The bills were identical in basic design to the regular denominations of the two classes of currency. However, the Treasury seal and the serial numbers were overprinted in brown rather than in blue which was was the designated

color for the silver certificates, or green for the federal Reserve notes. In addition, all denominations of the special currency were overprinted with the word "Hawaii" in bold type at both ends of the face of the notes and across the back in large skeleton letters. The bills were serially numbered in successive sequence with regular notes of the respective denominations and classes."

> >"The original order for the work was received on June 8, 1942 and the first delivery of the notes was made that same day. The bills were placed in circulation in the Islands in July and no other U.S. currency could be held or used there after August 15, 1942, without a special license from the Governor of the Territory. Likewise the export of the special notes to the U.S. mainland was prohibited in order to effectuate the purpose of their issuance. Had the Japanese conquered Hawaii, the distinctively marked currency would have made it possible to take appropriate measures to prevent the enemy from using the money to any advantage."

> >Early in 1944 Hawaiian currency served an offensive purpose. American military personnel in their invasion of the various Japanese strongholds in the Central Pacific zone brought with them supplies of "Hawaiian dollars," not only for their own use but for use of the inhabitants of the areas taken over. This step was to facilitate identification of the currency being used in the combat zones and to make isolation of this particular currency easier in the event that military reverses cause any substantial amount to fall into enemy hands." (Until I read this, I had always wondered why when the US military converted from MPC to "Green" in Philippines in September, 1963, suddenly Hawaii and yellow seal notes started showing up in circulation--I was able to get one of each type and denomination while stationed there in 1963-65.)

> >"On October 21, 1944, the Treasury Department announced that the economic controls in the Hawaiian Islands of which the issuance of the special currency was a part, were terminated. No further issues of the Hawaiian notes were made but the outstanding notes were then permitted to circulate in the same manner as other U.S. currency both in Hawaii and on the mainland."

> >"In all, the Bureau processed more than 66 million Hawaiian notes having a face value in excess of \$411 million."

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The Emergency Money Collector
VOL. I NO. 3 Spring 1949,
by Warner Talso

This issue increases the size of the publication from 8 to 10 pages.

There are hopes to eventually increase to 24 pages. As a result, effective immediately, all future subscriptions will be entered at the rate of 25 cents per copy and \$1.00 per year.

There is a long discussion regarding foreign subscribers and advertisers. I imagine transferring and converting currency was an issue at the time.

Alrie again calls for the creation of an Emergency Money Collectors Club. He offers this publication as the official organ of the club. He offers to print membership application forms, membership cards, etc.

The Question Box: Has the United States Government ever issued emergency money? Answer: Yes. The Demand Notes and Fractional Currency of the Civil War were both emergency issues. More recent are the 1943 steel cents and the 1942-45 composition five cents piece. (One assumes the Boise Idaho cardboard one cent piece did not qualify since it was not an USG issue.)

There is an article on the Emergency Wooden Money of Tenino , Wash. by Emil Di Bella. The first issue of wooden money to make an appearance in the U.S. was during the bank holiday of 1931 (actually, the FDR-mandated bank holiday was March 6, 1933-Warrner.) Many bank depositors found their assets frozen and there was an acute shortage of currency to carry on normal daily business. The Chamber of Commerce in Tenino , Washington , devised a unique scrip plan. They issued scrip made from wood slices of the Sitka tree. A total of \$11, 582.50 worth of scrip was issued in 1931, 32, and 33. The system is credited with keeping trade moving in Tenino.

The feature article is entitled Russian Emergency Paper Money by Wladimir Oushkoff. (This is the first installment of a series.) Paper money existed in Russia since 1769. A few local issues, printed on paper or leather appeared in the 19th Century, but were considered too few to be discussed here. Emergency issues, as discussed here, did not appear until late 1917. Coins, made of precious metals at the time, disappeared as a result WWI and the civil war which began in 1918. This catalog lists all the notes and local issues made in Russia from 1769 to 1948. Noteworthy were local issues in Alaska made of walrus hide, prior to the sale to the U.S. in 1867.

A major advertiser appears to be Charles Klander of Cincinnati , Ohio . He advertises many kinds of obsolete paper money for sale. Arlie notes that there was no Fall issue of 1948 nor Winter issue for 1949. He could not find a printer. His temporary solution is a local newspaper that lets him use their printers in off hours. A very resourceful man!

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CHAMPIONSHIP QUESTION CORNER

Questions for this space from subscribers and always welcome and eagerly solicited. The only requirement is that you also provide the answer!

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How many series of MPC Coupons were issued?

Answer next time.

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ANSWER TO PREVIOUS QUESTION

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What issue of notes was used as trial MPC?

ANSWER:
Series 100 A yen
The Myers

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EDITORIAL

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Military money collectors were treated to a nice article on the re-issued banknotes of Greece in the latest edition of the International Bank Notes Society Journal. During World War II German and Italian troops occupied Greece which created a need for more paper money. To stem the shortage, Greek authorities re-issued notes that were old and worn and scheduled for destruction. The notes had been hole punched and stamped and are listed in as P112 - P115A in Pick. An interesting and informative article worth the read. Of course there is also the opportunity to complete a small series of military notes.

On Friday morning my Mack-Book laptop and I are off to CPMX where I expect to see a number of Festers and Gramsters. A show report, including the scheduled minifest on Saturday will be filed. I am looking forward to seeing what goodies I can come up with and to some Chicago deep-dish pizza!

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Dear Editor,
I am planning on driving from Racine WI to fest in April.
I am leaving Racine Thursday morning and can stop at
Detroit airport or Ohare Midway airport or even Toledo airport
on the way to FEST XI. I am leaving Monday morning to return home
and I also can drop people off on the way if needed same Airports
there are not to far out of my way. If I remember right I dropped Harold
Kroll off
in Detroit on my way home Monday morning
I have a dodge Neon which hold 3 people fine four is a little tight,
but we could do it if needed.
Please feel free to use me in any way needed.
Can you please post this for the travel officer if needed.
Brian Giese

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Dear Editor:

The cut off date for MPC Fest XI has past. Usually, I have plenty of inventory to add rooms as needed. This year is going to be different as Davis Besse Nuclear Power Plant is on their shut down and they have extended their dates of maintenance and work on the plant. I highly recommend making your reservation with in the next week as I cannot guarantee you a room. I look forward to hearing from you.

Kim Bartish

Dear Editor,

Those who have not found time to scroll through Dr Robert Schwarz' ABNC Archive sale Part V, may want to take a moment to look at Canada Lot 417. It is an "MPC" for 200 pounds from the War of 1812 drawn on the Army Pay Office at Halifax. Intriguing wording.

Try:

http://www.expc.com/ABNpartV/PartV_05.html#Anchor-448

Kerry Rodgers

Dear Editor,

What an opportunity - Ski had a chance to have TWO fest short snorters in his collection that really belong in mine, and he blew it. He already has the only 541 \$10 from position 8 known to man. I don't understand why he was not all over that fake 661 \$10 - a great variety for his set.

Regarding today's quiz question, namely "When the trial MPC was printed, where was the intended place of issue?": I don't think we can say that Korea was the intended place of issue at the time of printing. I don't know when the decision to issue "area A" yen in Korea was made, but I'd expect it to have been sometime after printing (and probably by a different office than the one that ordered the notes). A better question would be: "Where was the series of notes that became trial MPC initially used?"

Joe Boling

Dear Editor,

In MPC GRAM 1908 you make reference to Mr. Knight. Gene Hessler makes reference to Mr Knight in his book "Engraver's Line". You might contact Mr Hessler to see if he might give you some more information on this man. In his book, he states that Mr Knight made illustrations to magazines and painted murals for the Museum of Natural History. He made the sketch of the bison, Pablo, from which M.W. Baldwin made the engraving for the U.S. \$10 USN. H483--H491

Thanks for the GRAM and all your work

Marvin Mericle

Dear Editor,

If Tom Koch would request the die number of the Bison vignette from the BEP, he would probably have better luck than asking for a vignette number.

Fred Reed

Dear Editor,

Female WWII aviators honored with gold medal

> >By KIMBERLY HEFLING (AP) [edited]

> >WASHINGTON They flew planes during World War II but weren't considered "real" military pilots. No flags were draped over their coffins when they died on duty. And when their service ended, they had to pay their own bus fare home.

> >These aviators all women got long-overdue recognition on Wednesday. They received the Congressional Gold Medal, the highest civilian honor given by Congress, in a ceremony on Capitol Hill.

> >About 200 women who served as Women Air force Service Pilots, or WASPs, were on hand to receive the award. Now mostly in their late 80s and early 90s, some came in wheelchairs, many sported dark blue uniforms, and one, June Bent of Westboro, Mass., clutched a framed photograph of a comrade who had died.

> >As a military band played "The Star-Spangled Banner," one of the women who had been sitting in a wheelchair stood up and saluted through the entire song as a relative gently supported her back.

> >In accepting the award, WASP pilot Deanie Parrish, 88, of Waco, Texas, said the women had volunteered without expectation of thanks. Their mission was to fly noncombat missions to free up male pilots to fly overseas.

> >"We did it because our country needed us," Parrish said.

> >Thirty-eight WASPS were killed in service in World War II. But they were long considered civilians, not members of the military, and thus were not entitled to the pay and benefits given to men.

> >They were only afforded veteran status in 1977 after a long fight. It's estimated that about 300 of the more than 1,000 WASPs are still alive.

David Klinger

Dear Editor,

First, unfortunately, Michael will not be joining us for the Fest this year. It is very sad, but he cannot get out of work.

> >Second, my name is still Ray Feller; I'm too attached to it to switch it!

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Series 11, No. 1910 Friday, March 19th, 2010

CPMX Report,
by Roger Urce

After an easy four hour trip I arrived at the show just after the opening at about 10:15. The bourse was about the same size as last year and seemed to be busy, especially the world paper money dealers. My first stop was the IBNS table where I picked up this year's souvenir card from Brian Giese. The card for 2010 features a 100 Peso Bank Of Mexico note with a vignette of Venustiano Carranza and commemorates the 16th annual CPMX show, the 100th anniversary of the start of the Mexican revolution and the 200th anniversary of the start of the Mexican War of Independence. Next I met with fellow Philippine Collector John Riley who showed me his copy of Remembered and asked if I had seen one in worse condition. His book is overstuffed with notes, informational sheets, pictures and other odds and ends and is split at the binding. To keep it closed he puts a number of heavy tomes on top. Now I have seen Ski's copy (split binding - all taped together and also filled with various informational pages) and Harold Kroll's which is in much the same shape as Ski's. Now if John comes to Fest XI, and we are doing our best to encourage him, a comparison will certainly in order. John also showed us a Flip Over Double strike of a World War I Victory Medal. Seems the medal was struck and was then somehow flipped over and struck again with an obvious die clash.

Looking around I did find a few new additions for my collection. First was a one escudo note from the Banco Nacional Ultramarino with a Mocambique over-stamp (P81/SB194) and a Treasurer of the Philippine Islands check from 1907 featuring a vignette of General Lawton. There were also three banque De L'Algerie notes, one five and two twenty francs, with the "Tunisie" over-stamp. Now I went to look these up in Remembered and at first I went

to the "A" section and realized that Algeria would be under the French section. So there I went only to find the notes under France in the section marked Tunisia. I still say each country should be alphabetized independently but Fred still says it's not going to happen.

Fred stopped by the IBNS table and dropped off four scrap books from World War II which contained a number of family photos and photos of servicemen overseas in the Pacific Theater. The also contained quite a number of cartoons of Sad Sack and other characters from various publications. Also included were a number of notes and quite a few pictures of aircraft nose art, some "R" rated.

Neil Shafer talked of a special meeting of JIM collectors to take place in the last hour of the FEST bourse on Friday. Interested parties are encouraged to bring their collections as discussion and trading will take place.

I also had a brief conversation with Lyn Knight about the upcoming Memphis Show. To be implemented this year is dealer set up starting at noon. I question him about a Wednesday start and he asked that I email him for further details. His response will be put in the Gram.

I did not attend the auction of World notes on Thursday evening, so I will depend on others to fill in the details. I was, however, present for

most of the MPC lots. The bidding was roughly equally split with about one third of the lots selling over, one third selling under and one third selling within bidding estimates. Some of the highlights:

Series 481 50 cents F+ Replacement - \$3000-5000 - sold for \$2100

Series 541 \$5 ChVF - \$1750-3000 - sold for \$1600

Series 541 \$5 VF - \$1000-2000 - sold for \$900

Series 591 10 cents VF Replacement - \$250-500 - sold for \$850

Series 611 \$10 Gem66 - \$500-1000 - sold for \$1700

Combination Lot/Fancy Serial numbers:

611 - \$1 - XF/AU - H00000038H (Almost Larry!)

641 - \$1 - XF - J10077777J

681 - 10 cents - XF - C08608690C

681 - \$1 - ChCU - C10100101C - Radar

The lot estimate was \$25-50 and sold for \$375

There were also eleven "packs" of notes offered but not all contained 100 notes and not all were consecutively numbered. Packs, or more correctly groups of 40, 50, 54, 56 and 100 notes contained notes either not in sequence or notes with random serial numbers. Of the packs with consecutively notes, three had 100 notes, and other contained 26, 30 and 58 notes.

Last year's show had a number of exhibits, but none this time.

On Saturday there will be meeting for SPMC, the Chicago Coin Club with a presentation and distribution of this year's souvenir card to all attendees and a meeting of the IBNS followed by a minifest. Those reports will wait for Monday's Gram.

By the way, the deep dish at Giordano's was as good as I remembered.

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In what country were the notes for the Chinese HauHsing Commercial Bank printed?

Answer next time.

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ANSWER TO PREVIOUS QUESTION

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How many series of MPC Coupons were issued?

ANSWER:

4 Korean and 3 Thai
The Myers

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EDITORIAL

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It occurred to me when I typed in the number of the last Gram that the year 1909 was significant numismatically. As we know, that was the first year of issue for the Lincoln head cent.

It gave me an idea and I would like to get some subscriber input. The twentieth century had its share of milestones in many areas including military numismatics. Suppose we start a new section in each Gram numbered with a date in the 1900s and mention a significant military numismatic event that occurred in that year. We could start with 1914, the first year of World War I, and continue on until 1999. For example in Gram 1944 we could use the issuance of French AMC; for Gram 1946, the first issue of MPC and so on. The section could be placed just under the heading and need not be more than a line or two in length and need not be limited to one event of significance. Events could also be the subject of feature articles which could stand by themselves or be run with other feature articles not related to a specific year. I'm confident we can find something of military numismatic significance for every year. I'll give it a try for 1914. Let me know what you think.

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Dear Editor,

Please re-run my request for Fest XI Show and Tell Descriptions. Now is the time to get the presentations in.

Steve Feller

Call for Your Fest XI Show and Tell Descriptions,
As you know Fest XI will be April 16-18, 2010 at Holiday Inn Camp Leo
May, Port Clinton, OH. Ray and I are getting excited.
Last year we had over 30 marvelous presentations. Time is running short
for this year. The education office would like to improve on that this
year.

Therefore please send to us, asap, at sfeller@coe.edu the following:

1. Short Title
2. A few sentences of a description. This MUST include a Military
Numismatic
connection.
3. An illustration or two (a new feature)--with decent resolution
This year we will produce a booklet format for a program with color
illustrations. Best positions in the program will go to those who reply
first.

Here is a sample from this year:

Presentation by Bill Myers

Title: 12th printing of AAFESPOGS

Description: The 12th printing of AAFESPOGS has been issued. Only 10 and
25 cents POGs were produced and there are 13 POGs for each denomination.
Red Bull and Coca-Cola are featured on POGs. It is supposed to be the
last printing. A complete set is now 392 POGs.

This was followed by images of several pogs.

Thanks!

Steve Feller, Co-Educational Officer

Ray Feller, Co-Educational Officer

Dear Editor,

In regard to the Congressional gold medal awarded to the WASPs - I have
yet to see what each woman and family actually received. I can guarantee
you they did not each get a gold medal. When the Tuskegee airmen got
their Congressional medal, one gold medal went into a museum and each
flyer got a bronze copy. I expect that's what happened with the WASPs
also, but no article published yet has said so.

Joe Boling

Dear Editor,

A number of issues ago, you published the fact that I wanted to hear from
people (at coinman@look.ca) what number they collect of MPC Fest notes. I
heard from exactly 2 people. All I can tell you at this time is that the
others will be sorry if they dont get to me in the next couple of weeks
if they prefer a certain number!

John Regitko

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I have one set of three denominations of all four issues of the German Konversionkasse Bonds similar to those listed in William Rosenblum's Auction #39E. I collect WW II militaria - uniforms, flags, orders and medals, etc., etc. and world paper currencies including certain stocks and bonds and various other world numismatic items.
Colin R. Bruce II.....
Cowpatch Palms, WI
kandybruce@hotmail.com

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www.cpmxshow.com

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Fort Worth, Texas
March 25 - 27

The Gram and I will have a club table at booth 144 at this convention. This club table can be used as a storage/message center for Gramsters and other interested parties. Everyone is welcome to staff it for awhile while I cruise the bourse. My IBNS meeting will be held at Saturday noon in a yet to be assigned room number, and it will include a Mini-Fest by COL Myers during this meeting. The NI Meeting precedes the IBNS Meeting and it will likely have a record number of attendees because Fort Worth-Dallas is the home area for most of the NI officers. I will try to keep/handcuff (if Roger brings some for me) them in the room so we can introduce them to a Mini-Fest!

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Part Two,
by Roger Urce

Saturday's first stop was at George Warner's table where he showed me two items. The first was a slabbed set of Series 541 MPC five cent notes with the same serial number and position number (53). The first note was a third printing replacement (F01761326) and the second was a first printing regular issue (F01761326F). An interesting pair found by an alert collector. The second item was a set of short snorters from a serviceman who kept them as souvenirs on "Charlie Day". Notes of the outgoing and incoming series were kept for two conversion day about a year apart and all were marked with a name, date and location. Both of these items will be at FEST XI.

At another table I found two copies of propaganda note not currently listed in Remembered. The German issued pieces replicated the front of a 1937 one Chervonetz note (P202) depicting Lenin while on the back was written a message to surrender in Russian which promised good treatment and 10 rubles to any Russian who surrendered. These pieces were shot from cannons during the siege of Leningrad and consequently are wrinkled and have burn marks. I picked up both copies and one can be yours at FEST at the auction.

The IBNS meeting saw an informative lecture on US Government Checks of World War II. Jim provided some background starting with issues of the Civil War and went through World War I and the Second World War with examples of Furlough Checks, Bond Refund Checks, War Production Board and OPA checks. He concluded with Army and Navy Armed Forces Leave Checks and Military Order to Pay checks which were issued to POWs held here in the States. These checks could only be cashed in the home country after the prisoner was repatriated.

After the presentation a minifest was held. Show and tell items included US issued Philippine star notes, Spanish military notes, a short snorter on a Hawaii dollar note commemorating the crossing of the equator bay a sailor, a 1933 German Lottery Ticket, an Isle of Jersey postcard with a regular issue stamp and a stamp of the German occupation. There was also a Malay ten cent JIM note with no back printing and JAPWANCAP overprint of a one centavo JIM piece. One of the more unique items was a booklet which had been provided to a German POW in Georgia. The booklet was basically an informational brochure on the advantages of living in the United States. It was written in German and included a map of the 48 states which had been colored in by the prisoner. In addition to a picture of the German, the booklet contained three chits from Fort Benning, Gerogia which had been pasted inside the front cover. Dave Frank, who made the presentation, said the booklet came from a German seller who was acquainted with the prisoner's sons.

There were two issues of MFC. The first, after Jim Downey's talk was a FT .DEARBORN CERTIFICATE in denominations of one, five and ten, well it doesn't say, units. The notes are dated March 20th, 2010 and stamped CPMX in red and are the same size as large US banknotes. The backs feature designs completed on a geometric lathe with the one and five in green and the ten in orange. One of each denomination was presented to each attendee. The second issue came after the minifest and consisted of a re-issue of series 2005B ten and fifty sen Chicago Yen Fest notes of March 19th, 2005, over-stamped with "CHI-FEST CPMX w0 MARCH 2010" in red. Again each participant with a show-and-tell was paid with one of each denomination. Fred acted as paymaster. Images will be on the website in the near future and it is entirely possible examples will be at the FEST.

We did sign up three more Grams subscribers at the show.

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What was the last series of MPC in which the \$5 denomination was the same size as the \$10?

Answer next time.

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ANSWER TO PREVIOUS QUESTION

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In what country were the notes for the Chinese HauHsing Commercial Bank printed?

ANSWER:

Japan

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EDITORIAL

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In Friday's Gram it was mentioned that there would be a JIM forum, if you will, during the last hour of the bourse on Fest Friday April 16th. This event has been in the thinking and planning stage since last year and it affords those of us with a high interest in JIM issues a chance to get together and discuss overprints, errors, counterfeits (I have an interesting one myself) and other aspects of these issues. I think it is a good idea and look forward to the meeting. If you have the same interest now is the time to organize your collection, and get together all your questions and comments on the series. Certainly there will be the opportunity to buy-sell-trade examples.

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Dear Editor,

It is with great sadness that Laura and I find we will be out of town for the Money Show in my own home town.

However, we do have some good news, we are engaged.

John Cheney & Laura Guentensberger.

[Congratulations! Is there a possibility of another FEST wedding event?

- Ed.]

Dear Editor,

I see Noble Numismatics April sale contains many wartime chits and other joys. Try:

http://www.noble.com.au/auctions/browse_cat.php?sale=93&sort=lot%20ASC&results=15&img=y&category=4258
World Banknotes: Lot 4205 through 4240, pp.371 -377
Kerry Rodgers

Dear Editor,
Attached is a photo of the flip-over double struck World War I Victory Medal.
[See the image on the website - Ed.]
Joh Riley

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This Gram was started Wednesday evening in New Orleans. For some reason when it was sent it was automatically deleted. Okay, I re-wrote the whole thing again on Thursday after waiting about 10 hours to get to where I could send it again using the wifi at the Sheraton Hotel. I was finally able to get an indication that the Gram was sent and when I checked my own email I saw that a lot of it didn't make it. Don't ask me why. I had no trouble getting to any other websites or my personal email from New Orleans; the only trouble I had was with Yahoo! Here it is Friday and we are back home. I added what was missing and here is the entire Gram that should have gone out on Wednesday night.

Series 11, No. 1912 Thursday, March 25th, 2010

The Emergency Money Collector
Vol. 1 No. 4 Summer 1949,
by Warner Talso

Arlie announces he has moved to West Virginia and his address is Spotlight Publications, Artie, W.Va. (Just for fun, I Googled on Spotlight Publications and found that Arlies papers and documents are archived at Duke University.) Arlie comments on his work load. He just finished serving on the Papers Committee for the 1949 ANA Convention in San Francisco. As such, he prepared and mailed 500 letters to prospective authors.

Readers have proven receptive to the idea of an emergency money collectors club and plans have now been made. Nearly all the details have been worked out and will be announced in the Fall issue. I cant wait!

On the front page, Arlie announces that O.P. Eklund of Spokane, Wash., well known collector of emergency monies, recently disposed of his collection of German emergency coins because of ill health.

Josef Ulm, P.O. Box 20, RiedimInkreis, Austria, has an ad offering a wide range of POW Camp currency from WWI and WWII. Also 10 different rare bills from WWII concentration camps for \$20.00.

Walter Funck, British Zone, Germany, has an ad to sell The Greatest Collection of German Emergency Coins.

The feature article is entitled Paper Money of the Spanish Civil War by Dr. Arnold Keller of Berlin. An interesting aspect of this were the competing emissions of the Spanish Republic and General Francos forces. There was an immense multitude of emergency issues. In the province of Catalonia, alone, there were over 700 communities that produced their own notes. Spanish emergency notes also started being printed in the Catalan language in addition to Spanish.

Chapter II of Russian Emergency Paper Money by Wladimer M Oushkoff, is presented. The war gave impulse to inflation and by January 1, 1917, there were 9175 millions out. (Note the author never seems to use a denomination, which, I assume, would be roubles.) The Republic (!) in 1917 created new types of notes, while continuing to print the old types, too. In all, the Government issued about 12 billion Imperial notes and 123 billion Republican notes until September 29, 1922, when Imperial notes were redeemed and declared worthless. The year 1922 brought about change to address inflation. First was a new unit called the Rouble-1922 equal to 10,000 old roubles. It appears to be no different that the old monetary unit and the purpose was to eliminate the need for zeros. Second, in 1923, a new paper rouble was created that was equal to 100 Rouble-1922 notes or 1 million old roubles. There were few local issues because central Russia was so poor.

The magazine is now 12 pages long. Recall I speculated earlier that paying for foreign subscriptions and advertisements must have been more complex 50 years ago. Well, Arlie announces that those who cannot send money orders or U.S. currency can pay for their subscriptions and ads in exchange for collectible emergency monies.

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CPMX report part III,
by Joe Boling

Dealer Tim Kyzivat, who has donated lots to the scholarship auction in the past, has provided two lots for the 2010 sale, as follows:
1935A Hawaii \$1 note, typed all over the back announcing that F1/c J.D. Tinsley, a trusty shellback, had crossed latitude 00.00.00 at longitude 135.48 on 2 October 1944, aboard an unnamed vessel, attested to by Davy Jones and Neptunus Rex. This piece was mentioned in Roger's report of the CMPXminifest.

Check, The Army National Bank of Fort Lewis, Fort Lewis Washington. Dated 3 October 1929 (note the use of the military date format), for \$2.50, payable to Mrs. Fred Metcalf, signed "Oscar Foley (per Mrs. Oscar Foley)." The wife was signing for her husband. The endorsement is "Mrs. Fred Metcalf." Protocols were different back then. The check was cashed at the PX, then deposited by the PX into its account at the Army NB, so there are no bank endorsements on the check. It was paid thirteen days after being drawn. Vignette of an eagle, shield, and flag; lithographed on orange safety paper by Irwin-Hobson, Portland, Ore.
If either of these lots strikes your fancy, and you are not going to be at fest next month, coordinate with a 2010 fester to get your bids placed.

There was some other observation that I made to Roger about CPMX, which he invited me to write up for the gram, but I sure can't remember what it was. Roger, if you do, please insert it, or email me with a reminder. Maybe something about the Lyn Knight auction?

[Joe and I discussed a number of things and two come to mind: first was the MI HON overprint on a 50 centavo Philippine JIM and Joe remarked he had only seen two examples of the lithographed fake and both were at the show. The other topic concerned the "Charlie Day" short snorters and the fact that Joe had gone to high school in the town mentioned on one (or more?) of the notes. I had asked him to write a short blurb for the Gram - Ed.]

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CHAMPIONSHIP QUESTION CORNER

Questions for this space from subscribers and always welcome and eagerly solicited. The only requirement is that you also provide the answer!

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Go to the link in Ken Berger's email and tell us what series of MPC is being burned.

Answer next time.

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ANSWER TO PREVIOUS QUESTION

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What was the last series of MPC in which the \$5 denomination was the same size as the \$10?

The correct answer of Series 481 was submitted by Jack Hunter, Neil Shafer and The Myers

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EDITORIAL

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The Gram is coming to you today from New Orleans where we are on a little vacation. We roamed around and saw the sights including the famous (or infamous) Bourbon Street and it was an experience. Of numismatic interest were three things. The first was a shop featuring hand painted miniature soldiers, mostly from the second World War. Also displayed were some common JIM notes and quite a number of WW II era coins from Nazi Germany. I did not notice any rarities and the pricing seemed a bit high. Fred would have liked the assortment of chess sets comprised of various military figures. We also found a high end antique shop featuring very expensive items of furniture and tableware. Ho hum, until I saw a complete Enigma Machine which looked like it could be put in working order. It's not numismatic, but it is an important item from the war. It was recently found on a farm in Denmark. I imagine the lucky farmer was elated. I can't speculate what he was paid, but I do know this piece of history can be yours for a mere \$125,000. Lastly we visited the former New Orleans Mint which was taken over by the Confederacy during the Civil War. There were no military items but there were quite a number of "O"mint coins on display. Today (Thursday) we are off the the World War II Museum and a full report will be forthcoming in the next Gram.

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<http://fb.footnote.com/image/#103301891>
Ken Berger

Dear Editor,
I see a comment about a new 1937 one Chervonetz note (P202) depicting Lenin. In my article on WWII Axis propaganda banknotes I think I show two or three different ones with translations. I doubt you found a new one, but if so I would like to see it.
Herb Friedman

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We have a combined report on the ANA Fort Worth Show by Bill Myers and a report on my visit to the World War II Museum as news features today. But first let me direct our readers to page 22 of the April edition of Bank Note Reporter where there is a story about the newly established IBNS Hall of Fame. Nine initial inductees are named (see the Editorial for a complete listing) and three deserve special mention. Festers Joe Boling and Neil Shafer along with long time Memphis Paper Money Show organizer Michael Crabb have been inducted. This is a well deserved honor and the Gram congratulates these three special individuals.

Fort Worth Show and Minifest Report,
by Bill Myers

I arrived on Wed for the ANA Money show in Ft Worth, so I could set up my exhibit that day. I was able to get a direct flight which made the trip more tolerable. I found parking around the convention center available and reasonable. The show opened on Thur and closed at the end of the day on Sat. I found a decent number of world coin dealers and picked up about 50 WWII coins. I also found some notes as well. I ran into David Seelye, Ski, George Fitzgerald, MSG Daniel and of course Joe Boling. I am sure there were others but I am running out of memory space. I found the crowd to be light on Thur and Fri but heavy on Sat. The dealers said they

did well but not great. Maybe the market has slowed some. Next stop is the fest and hope to see you there.

A minifest was held at the ANA meeting in Ft Worth, TX on 27 MAR 2010 after the IBNS meeting. There were 12 in attendance with a mix of festers and those to become festers. Show and tell was held with many interesting objects being items being shown. MSG Daniel had an interesting items from Viet Nam. Joe Boling had a Philippine Islands JIM specimen that was a counterfeit as well as a Philippine Guerilla counterfeit note. Ski produced two series 661 MPC \$10 notes that had the exact same serial numbers, both counterfeit of course. Bill Myers had a occupied Japan 1 yen note with souvenir printed on the back. Joe examined the note and declared it authentic but its origin is unknown. Three subscriptions to the Gram were sold at the meeting including one to an Aussie. Pay was issued at the end of the meeting. It consisted of series 062 MFC that had been validated with a star punch and a stamp with a B-24 bomber on it as well as the date and location of the minifest. Ft Worth was one of the locations where the B-24 was produced during the war. Everyone at the meeting was issued a \$2 note and those with a paybook were also issued a \$1 note.

New Orleans World War Two Museum Report,
by Roger Urce

The museum is located a short trolley ride from the French Quarter of New Orleans and consists of two buildings. Initially called the D-Day museum and later renamed, the facility's location is a direct connection to author and historian the late

Stephen Ambrose and to Andrew Higgins the designer and developer of the Higgins Boats, landing craft used to transport troops in beach landings. The main building is the museum proper and holds all the exhibits and is where tickets are purchased. Just across the street is a 4D theater, the "Stage Door Canteen" featuring dinner or brunch and a 1940s era show and the "American Sector" which is a restaurant. The theater, according to the brochure, is "a powerful, immersive journey through the war that changed

the world." The film, narrated by Tom Hanks, starts with the pre-war period, the events leading up the the war and the war years themselves told with actual combat footage, computer animation and very realistic visual effects. We experienced the

film first then made our way back to the museum proper. The main hall has a number of aircraft hanging from the ceiling including a B17 used at Normandy by the 82nd Airborne Division and a German Messerschmidt.

Along with a tank, jeep,

trucks, two Higgins Boats are prominently on display. The exhibits start with the war in Europe and continues with the war in the Pacific. The many displays include uniforms, weapons, enlarged photographs and short films on various key

engagements. There were also many instances where soldiers, sailors, marines, airmen and civilians had recorded their personal experiences.

There were a very few numismatics pieces. The European theater featured seven pieces of French AMC, and in the Pacific section there was one 1000 Peso Philippine Jim note along with a number of pieces of Japanese homeland currency. Included with these were quite a number of personal effects, dog tags, medals, maps, letters and personal diaries. A number of exhibits contained medals and I can recall three Medals of Honor which were described (incorrectly) as "Congressional Medal of Honor". About three hours or so is sufficient time to see the museum; add some additional time if you plan to read all the information and listen to all of the personal accounts. It is a worthwhile visit and New Orleans is not hard to get to and the museum with its two meeting rooms would make a great location for the release of the next edition of Remembered.

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What is the highest denomination military franc note that was printed in the United States

Answer next time.

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ANSWER TO PREVIOUS QUESTION

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Go to the link in Ken Berger's email and tell us what series of MPC is being burned.

We have two series mentioned in response to this question. Bill Myers says it is series 681, while David Klinger and David Serikaku say it is series 661. Now the date on the photograph is 9 January 1970; series 661 was issued on 21 October 1968 and withdrawn on 11 August 1969. Series 681 was issued on 11 August 1969 and withdrawn on 7 October 1970. I don't think that much MPC would need to be destroyed while the series was still in use, so I would think the MPC in question is series 661. There is the question as to why over four months elapsed between the withdrawal and the destruction.

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EDITORIAL

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Lately it seems that numismatic publications have featured military related articles. April's Bank Note Reporter has a report of altered North African notes and an informative update on Philippine Guerrilla currency from Antique Province. The latest IBNS

Journal has the first part of an article on Chinese Currency of the Tai'ping rebellion along with a feature on the Canceled and Reissued Banknotes of Greece. There is also Peter Huntoon's column in SPMC's Paper Money magazine on Money During the Depression which talks of the issuance of the Federal Reserve Banknote series. Numismatic News also has a military related article on the gold medals recently awarded to the Women Airforce Service Pilots (WASPS) of WW II. (As an aside, according to the article each of the 200 women were awarded an actual gold medal which answers a question previously posed by Joe Boling) I like all this attention of our area of the hobby and hope it continues. The complete list of the initial inductees to the IBNS Hall of Fame: YashaBeresiner, Joe Boling, Michael Crabb, Ruth Hill, Arnold Keller, Mow King On, Colin Nabeth, Albert Pick and Neil Shafer. Congratulations to all. Lastly, FEST XI starts in seventeen days and we have 64 registered Festers. The day room is going to be a little crowded but that's a good thing. Please check listing in the calendar and in Kim's AWOL letter below and let me know if any corrections need to be made.

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Dear Editor:
Just a note of thanks for all of the Festers that helped me have such a great first show as a dealer for many reasons. Sorry that I am unable to make the Fest this year! Hopefully we'll have a mini Bond Fest later this year!
Larry Schuffman

Dear Editor,
Readers into POW issues and who have not seen Spinks on-line auction catalog or managed to finagle themselves a hard copy, may wish to glance at Lots 193-197: Diyatalawa (Ceylon) POW Camp 50 cents (x2), 1 rupee, 5 rupees and 10 rupees. Four are gVF, one gF. All but one stamped CANCELED.
<http://www.spink.com/asp/search.asp?st=U>
Kerry Rodgers

Dear Editor,
I saw your note in the Gram about the minifest and someone presented some US/PI Star notes. I track all the serial numbers and position numbers for these for a future study. Can you tell me who had the presentation so I can get in contact with him/her?
Ray Czahor

[I'll need a little help here with this question. I do recall the presenter but I do not remember him giving his name. Anyone out there able to supply the info? - Ed.]

Dear Editor,

[Regarding Jack Lippencott's wanted ad]

What is they are looking for... I have a vast stock of almost any type of German notes, but will not be at the Fest...

As they will not be in Maastricht. They can contact me if they like.

Jos F.M. Eijsermans

eijsermans-events@t-online.de

Dear Editor:

It saddens me to announce the AWOL list for MPC Fest XI. Just so these Festors and Tiger Lilies know they will be missed; and hopefully we will see them next year. Clifford Mischler, Deanah and Simon Downey, John Kallman, Beth Watson, Dennis Doleshal, Pat Bethe, Sam Feedback, Jim White, Wendell Wolka, Marvin Mericle, Arlen Sheldon, Marcus Turner, Gary Hicks, Michael McCloskey, Larry Schuffman, Dean and Gerda Shelton, Ian and Bella Marshall, Ann Aitken, Louise Boling, Jack Hobbs, and Ed Beaman.
Kim Bartish

Dear Editor,

Please publish the following in the next available MPC Gram.

LAST CHANCE TO RESERVE YOUR FAVORITE NUMBER

On two previous occasions, I asked those that will be attending MPC Fest XI, to let me know if they have a favorite number for a special project that I am working on. So far, I have to come up with the following:

1. David Seelye
2. Harold Kroll
4. Gary Hicks
7. Al Glasser
8. LoeBoling
9. Bill Myres
11. Louise Boling
13. CunejdTolek
17. Bob Olsen
21. Jack Hunter
25. William Meyers
39. Larry Smulczenski

If there are any corrections or additions, please get back to me at coinman@look.ca before April 10.

John Regitko

Dear Editor,

Please add these people to the gram distribution list:

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FOR SALE/TRADE 3-3-10 (Gram 1904)

I have one set of three denominations of all four issues of the German Konversionkasse Bonds similar to those listed in William Rosenblum's Auction #39E. I collect WW II militaria - uniforms, flags, orders and medals, etc., etc. and world paper currencies including certain stocks and bonds and various other world numismatic items.

Colin R. Bruce II.....

Cowpatch Palms, WI

kandybruce@hotmail.com

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March 25 - 27

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This club table can be used as a storage/message center for Gramsters and other interested parties. Everyone is welcome to staff it for awhile

while I cruise the bourse. My IBNS meeting will be held at Saturday noon in a yet to be assigned room number, and it will include a Mini-Fest by COL Myers during this meeting. The NI Meeting precedes the IBNS Meeting and it will likely have a record number of attendees because Fort Worth-Dallas is the home area for most of the NI officers. I will try to keep/handcuff (if Roger brings some for me) them in the room so we can introduce them to a Mini-Fest! - The Master Sergeant Daniel
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Many various Mexican Revolutionary Issues - Starting at PS501
These were issued by various states, regions and military authorities
between 1910 and 1917.

DOPING SCANDAL STRIKES FEST MARCH MADNESS COMPETITION

Sources deep inside MPCFest HQ have indicated that three-time MPCFest March Madness champion Jim Downey has been banned from further competition. The anonymous source reported mandatory testing revealed elevated levels of caffeine, ginseng, ginkgobiloba and a peculiar amount of Geritol.

The test results were confirmed by Battalion Medical Officer Dr. CuneydTolek. Dr. Tolek had this to say about the results: "The combination of the stimulants caffeine and ginseng and the memory enhancing ginkgobiloba would create an almost unstoppable competitor. The Geritol is inexplicable for someone his age and we have not quite figured that one out."

When reached at his training camp in the Ozarks, Downey refused to answer questions from a MPCGram reporter but did not deny the allegations. He did issue a one-sentence press release: "What, me worry?"

Word of the scandal has spread to Festers who are reportedly shocked and stunned. "I'm shocked and stunned," Festers Al Glaser told Good Morning America's George Stephanopolous. Current Champion Neil Shafer told USA Today: "I roomed with him at Fest for a couple years and I swear he never slept the entire weekend. I guess this explains it." In an open letter to Guns and Ammo, Steve Swoish summed up what many Festers were thinking: "I am disappointed. When I heard there was cheating scandal at the Fest, I was hoping it was the Tiger Woods type, not Mark McGuire. This won't even make The Insider."

Battalion Judge Advocate Jim Downey shed some light on the resolution of the scandal. "This is entirely unprecedented," Downey said. "We have had to make this up as we go along. The accused has fully cooperated and we have reached a plea deal."

While all the details of the settlement have not been agreed upon, the Judge Advocate did reveal the following: Downey will not participate as a competitor for the foreseeable future. Instead he has agreed to take over handling the competition from its original organizers.

"It is probably best for all involved to begin the healing process," stated a visibly shaken Judy Schwan.

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Answer next time.

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ANSWER TO PREVIOUS QUESTION

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What is the highest denomination military franc note that was printed in the United States

Both Neil Shafer and Bill Myers correctly answered that the un-issued 5000 franc AMC was the highest denomination

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EDITORIAL

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March Madness cheating! This is devastating. How could this happen; how could we not know? What will be next: The fixing of questions; supplying of answers.
Is it possible the purchase of the illegal substances was accomplished using MFC?

This brings to mind a scandal of years ago involving war time issues for Hawaii. It had been reported at the time that not only were ones, fives, tens and twenty dollar denominations issued with brown Treasury seals the large "HAWAII" overprint on the back, but a small number of two dollar notes were also printed. Just after printing, the War Department decided the denomination was not necessary and ordered the destruction of the notes. Somehow a small number of the two dollar overprints got out of the BEF secure facility. These quickly made their way to the black market and into the hands of eager collectors who secretly kept them hidden as ownership was prohibited by law. The existence of these rare issues leaked and drove holders of the notes further underground. It was rumored that one of these notes was in the possession of an individual known to the MPCFest community, although the rumor has not been confirmed. It has now come to the attention of the editorial staff of the Gram that one, possibly two, of these extremely hard to locate pieces may possibly be the subject of a presentation at FEST XI. Time will tell.

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Dear Editor,
I have a question for Joe. I recently purchased 2 Burma JIM Peacock 10 Kyats notes and would like to know if you could sum up how to determine if they are genuine? SB says they should have a watermark, but what watermark? Any help to make sure they are real would be appreciated.
Thank you,
Randy Poe. [Dear Randy, I think the notes you are referring to are SB103 with a watermark of three characters in the guilloche at the right. Bring the notes in question to the FEST and Joe (and the rest of us) can take a look - Ed.]

Dear Editor,
Wife is receiving chemo so she says I cannot come to the Fest. Nurse maid And I don't know how to sneak away. So I will try to be at fest X rated II. I will miss everybody, so have a great time!!
She smoked but supposedly 60% of people with lung cancer did not smoke.
Go figure!!!
Nick Schrier

Dear Editor,

An interesting critique of series 521, filed by AP from TOKYO on May 26, 1954.

<http://news.google.com/newspapers?nid=861&dat=19540526&id=tykPAAAAIBAJ&sjid=RoUDAAAAIBAJ&pg=6961,4457324>

David Klinger

Dear Editor,

Regarding the medals that the WASPs received, the Numismatic News article was as ambiguous as all the others have been - until Coin World finally gave specifications for the medals that the women (and the families of deceased WASPs) will receive. They are three-inch bronze copies of the SINGLE gold medal, which will reside in the Smithsonian. The public can order 3" or 1.5" medals costing \$38 or \$3.75 respectively (plus \$4.95 per order for shipping). The single gold medal contains 16.7 troy ounces of fine gold in a .9995 alloy. According to the article, mint officials say that 1114 medals will be distributed to survivors and families. About 300 WASPs remain alive. I knew that the ladies would not get solid gold medals. At \$1100/ounce, those would cost almost \$20.5 million. In bronze, it's less than \$43,000. And the government is not even picking up that tab. The WIMSA (Women in Military Service for America) Memorial Foundation paid for the medals being distributed to the WASPs. Which leads me to wonder who paid for the medals that were distributed to the Tuskegee airmen? One would think that if Congress authorizes a medal, they would at least pay for it.

I received an email today referring me to a site that lists every (or almost every) service member memorialized on the Vietnam Wall, with biographical information, medals earned, and in some cases photos and individual messages about those individuals. See:

<http://www.virtualwall.org/iStates.htm>. It's pretty impressive, and privately sponsored.

Louise is not AWOL for Fest. She will be TDY to NAPNAP, the annual convention of the National Association of Pediatric Nurse Practitioners. (The acronym is left over from an earlier version of the organization's name.) As I head for Port Clinton, she will be heading for Chicago.

Regarding Bill Myers' "SOUVENIR" one-yen note (SB942 under occupied Japan), I declared the basic note authentic, and the overprint a letterpress application. The authenticity of the combination is unknown. Joe Boling

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Military Related issue(s) for the Gram/Year: 1915
Germany issues Military Payment Certificates in occupied France during WW
I.
Pick PM1 through PM4.

The Emergency Money Collector
VOL. 2 NO.. 1 Winter 1951-52,
by Warner Talso

We Resume Publication. So states Arlie after a hiatus. This issue (and future issues) is printed by duplicator (or mimeograph) machine. At this date it is faded and hard to read. Arlie notes the high cost of printing for this change. The magazine is now up to 20 pages.

Arlie reports that efforts to create a Club are still in progress. It seems that despite his optimism and suggestions from readers, it has not come to fruition. The hold up is finding someone to manage/lead the Club. Arlie feels too busy to take on the task himself.

Josef Ulm of Austria and M. Ouahkoff of France want to change the name of The Emergency Money Collector. They also think the magazine should deal with paper money only. Arlie does not agree, but asks for opinions. (It seems there is always someone on the sidelines who has suggestions to improve a product, but won't get involved.)

In the last issue Arlie noted that O.P. Eklund of Spokane, Wash. was ill. Since that writing he has passed on. Mr. Eklund was a well-known collector of minor foreign coins. He had a collection of over 30,000 books and 40,000 coins. His collections were sold to Mrs. D. Dee DeNise of Seattle, Wash. Arlie regrets that the collection will probably be broken up, but that will give many collectors a chance to own some of these coins. And is this not better than to have the collection hidden away in a museum (A variation of an on-going argument we have all heard.) Chapter III of Russian Emergency Paper Money by Wladimer M Oushkoff is presented. This Chapter starts by dividing Russia into regions for discussion purposes. This suggests how vast the Russian landmass is. Can you image instituting a currency policy, after the Civil War (preferred term), on an area this size. The first four regions to be presented are:

North Russia was the stronghold of the White Russian government. In 1918, the government made a deal with the British government to back the currency with pounds sterling. Notes were printed by Waterloo & Sons, LTD, London.

Northwest Russia was noted for local issues starting in 1918. Many were associated with a strong Jewish community.

Baltic Region includes Estonia, Latvia, and Lithuania. The White government issued currency in Marks, probably as a holdover the German occupation (up to 1916).

Ukraine & West Ukraine. Ukraine declared its independence in 1915. There were two historical units of currency: Karbovanatz (given that name for the rouble in that province) and Grivna. (given that name for the Austrian crown because Austrian Galicia joined the Russian Ukraine on a federation basis).

Paper Money of the Spanish Civil War by Andra L. Helfar, is the other article. This article refers to a similar article in the previous issue and a list Arlie provided previous to that. Arlie opines that between these three lists, one may have a reasonably complete of emergency notes from the Spanish Civil War. (Wait a minute last issue he said in the province of Catalonia, alone, there were over 700 communities that produced their own notes. These combined lists don't seem long enough.) W.E. Daniels, 4736 45th Avenue N.E., Seattle 5, Wash. wants to buy or trade WWII emergency or military notes or Philippine Guerrilla notes. (I mention the complete address because I know the area well. It is next to the University District.)

Theodore Kemm of New York City is selling U.S. Invasion Currency. He offers \$1 Hawaii overprinted notes for \$1.50 and \$1 Africa Yellow Seal

notes for \$1.50. A set of Africa Invasion Notes (\$1, \$5, and \$10) is \$19.00.

This is the fifth issue of this magazine. Only two more to go.

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CHAMPIONSHIP QUESTION CORNER

Questions for this space from subscribers and always welcome and eagerly solicited. The only requirement is that you also provide the answer!

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Answer next time.

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ANSWER TO PREVIOUS QUESTION

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Answer:

United States Military Payment Certificates cents and dollars
Great Britain: British Armed Forces Special Vouchers pence and pounds
Denmark: Den Danske Brigade ore and kroner
Netherlands: Ministerie van Oorlog cents and gulden
The Myers

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EDITORIAL

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Today we have the second of our military related issues for the Year/Gram number. I was hoping for a little interest on this and some input from our subscribers. I'll keep going through the end of WW I. If there is no interest we can discontinue.

Next, please take a look at Al Glaser's letter and if you have any information send it to the Gram and we will publish with a copy to Al. There are currently eighteen presentations scheduled for Fest Saturday; this is the last call so Steve can get his pamphlet done.

Next, Howard Daniel sent along an email on a special commemorative stamp for World War II illustrator Bill Maulden. It's not numismatically related, but significant, I think, because it featured Willie and Joe who represented the average GI. Additionally a number of Bill's cartoons were part of the scrap books Fred had with him at CPMX. It's a nice looking stamp. I'll forward Howard's email; just let me know.

Check the website for some photos of the ANA in Fort Worth thanks to John and Nancy Wilson and Howard Daniel

The Fest starts at the end of next week. Have you started packing yet?

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<http://photos.papermoneyworld.net>

Dear Editor,

Was there a Minifest at CPMX last May? Can you list the Minifests you remember from last fest to present? Im trying to make sure I at least list them all.

Any souvenir cards you know of after Fest?

Al Glaser

[I'm going to ask for a little help on this one; I will list the Minifests at which I was a participant, and would ask our readers to fill in

any they were present for or are aware of. Al needs the information to make updates for the MFC book which are available at the Fest - Ed.]

Memphis 2009

ANA World's Fair of Money - LosAngeles

FUN 2010

CPMX 2010 - Two issues

Dear Editor,

I have a question for Joe or Fred or anybody else who can help with input. For you eBay members please go to this completed auction on eBay in advanced search and look at the pics. Item# 320506188342. I want to know what the line of notes across the bottom of the pics are? Are these notes the same as the 100 yen notes in the pics? I did not think so. To me they are smaller than the 100s. If anybody can tell me what the notes at the bottom of the pics are I would appreciate it. I ask because the seller did not send them to me, but he did everything else. He claims he sent them. I hope I am not missing something obvious here!!

Thank you, Randy Poe

Dear Editor,

FEST XI: SHOW AND TELL PROGRAM

Steve Feller

1. British Campaign Stars and Service Medals of WWII

Jim Downey

2. 12th printing of AAFESPOGS

Bill Myers

3. MPC Series 472 \$5 Counterfeit Plates

Bill Myers

4. German tax payment notes

Adolf Witzke

5. The WWII Notes of French Equatorial Africa.

Larry Smulzenski

6. Major League Baseball and the War Effort
Al Glaser
7. Bulgaria during World War II
Neil Shafer
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8. \$10 Series 472, 46, Ser no C07162179C, bill with property receipt from
the 52nd MP CID Frankfurt
John Cheney and Laura Guentensberger
9. French Stock Certificate #032833 with coupons
John Cheney and Laura Guentensberger
10. A Fanning Island note that is a short snorter
Warner Talso
11. \$5 Share Certificate for the Red Cross war fund.
Dick Dunn
12. A Canadians Recapping of the War of 1812
John Regitko
13. Morocco Progressive Proofs, 100 Francs, P-27, S/B1504
Harold Kroll
14. How to Fill out the Military Numismatic Scholarship Form to win a
Possible Scholarship
Kathy and Dan Freeland
15. Boy Scout Awards for Support in WWI and WWII
George Cuhaj
16. The Texas Internment Camps: Crystal City and Seagoville
Steve Feller
17. Surprise (See his letter in Mail Call)
Steve Swoish
18. Allied Military Government and other World War II Occupation Postage
Roger Urce

Dear Editor,

The US Mint just raised the price of their 3" medals - now it's something like \$43 rather than the \$38 I cited in my last transmission. This is for all 3" medal copies, not just the WASP medal.

For Randy Poe, the watermark in the Burma Ma Maw notes is the three oval characters that are displayed in the medallion on the right face of the notes (the editor has it right). It is a white watermark repeating through the paper.

Joe Boling

Dear Editor,

The Numismatic News report on all of the WASPS getting a gold medal is in error. In accordance with Public Law 111-40 (Section 2):

SEC. 2. CONGRESSIONAL GOLD MEDAL.

(a) Award Authorized.

The President pro tempore of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives shall make appropriate arrangements for the award, on behalf of the Congress, of a single gold medal of appropriate design in honor of the Women Air force Service Pilots (WASP) collectively, in recognition of their pioneering military service and exemplary record, which forged revolutionary reform in the Armed Forces of the United States of America.

A full sized (3") gold gilded replica was given to each of the women (or their families). [see links]

The single Gold Medal was donated to the Smithsonian Institution for display later this year with the "Women in Aviation" display at its Udvar-Hazy Center in Chantilly, Va.

<http://www.af.mil/shared/media/photodb/photos/100310-F-2418B-443.jpg>
[replica]

http://en.wikisource.org/wiki/Public_Law_111-40#SEC._2._CONGRESSIONAL_GOLD_MEDAL [Law]

David Klinger

Dear Editor,

Regarding the March Madness Doping Scandal:

First, I would like to say that I was "misquoted" in Gram 1914. I never mentioned Tiger Woods or Mark McGuire, I was referring to Jesse James & Roger Clemens. Also, I believe that Mr. Downey will be cleared of all charges. When caffeine, ginseng, ginkgobiloba & Geritol were mentioned as this "drug" cocktail, I thought I had seen that combination before....

yes, they are the ingredients on the box of "Goobers" you get in the movie theaters, granted, only south of the Mason-Dixon line. So, if this is the case, Mr. Downey is only a gullible goober gobbling Gram goat.

Great going Guys!

And I have a couple of items that I feel warrant a show & tell session.

Sorry, I cannot tell you what I have found, but 1 item will be even better than any \$2 Brown Seal Hawaii Note! Thanks & see ya soon!

Best Regards,

Steve Swoish

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April 10-11, 2010

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(fredschwan@yahoo.com). Send payment via paper means to Fred Schwan, 132 E. Second St., Port Clinton, Ohio 43452. Make checks payable to Fred Schwan. PayPal payments are acceptable usingfredschwan@yahoo.com. Payment must be received by March 1, in order to guarantee a reservation and full availability of medals and other goodies. For bourse information contact bourse chairman David Seelye at thempcman@verizon.net.

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*Indicates New Fester.

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needed: <http://www.pngdealers.com/>

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Exhibits, Meetings and Possible Mini Fest

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Info at: www.centralstates.info

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May 14-16, 2010

Amon Carter Center, Fort Worth, TX

Info at: www.tna.org

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May 20-22, 2010

Nashville Convention Center

Info at: www.whitmanexpo.com

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June 3-5, 2010

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Exhibits, Meetings,

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Series 11, No. 1916 Thursday, April 8th, 2010

Military Related issue(s) for the Gram/Year: 1916
French Guiana emergency Issues (During WW I) P5 and P6

FEST TRAINING SCHEDULE,
by Fred Schwan

Fest XI is next week! I cannot believe that it is Fest XI and I cannot believe that it is next week. In November I was eager to work on Fest preparations. I had started working on the many different projects

because we (the Boss and I) were planning on going to Florida December through March and I knew that I would have difficulty getting the work done in Florida.

Then Judy had some medical issues, one week turned into a month, and a month into three and in the end no Florida. When Florida was being delayed, I delayed working on the Fest until now and now I am in the near crisis mode working. While it is terrible, it is about the same as most years. Sure, I have done a few things better, but a few other things have gotten more out of control. The overall situation is dwarfed by the fact that I am getting really excited to see all of those Festers. It is going to be great. The worst Fest was great. Just from the things that I know, it is going to be full of great activities.

One of the surprising (at least to me) developments in Fest history is the development of events with their own lives. I have more to report next time, but for this time, I offer a draft of the training schedule.

Fest XI Training Schedule, version 1

ALL PERSONNEL

Date/timeActivityPersonnelTrainer

Tuesday 13 April

0830-0900 breakfast @ Holiday Inn all personnel Kim

0930-1700 work detail arrives present personnel The Boss

1700-2400 bowling practice festers bowling coach

Wednesday 14 April

0830-0900 breakfast @ Holiday Inn all personnel Kim

0930-1700 Fest preparations work detail Fred

1700-1900 Fish Fry Jolly Roger The Boss

1900-2400 bowling practice festers bowling coach

Thursday 15 April

0800-1900 hotel registration individuals Kim

0830-0900 breakfast @ Holiday Inn all personnel Kim

0930-1830 Bourse preparations select personnel David

1830-2100 bourse banquet @ Big Boppers all available Judy, Ken

2100-2400 bowling challenge all available Doug Bell

2400-bull session/swap meet all available Ski

Friday 16 April

0400-0600 10k run, 3k swim (ice permitting) all personnel 1SGT

0800-1900 hotel registration individuals Kim

0830-0900 breakfast @ Holiday Inn all personnel Kim

0830-1000 bourse set up work detail and dealers David

1000 bourse and Fest registration open all personnel Loretta

1000-1600 bourse all available David

auction submission/viewing all interested Ski

1700-1800 new Fester training new Festers Doug, Warner

1800-1900 chow, Boling anniversary reception all personnel Kim

1900-2030 opening ceremony all Fred

2030-2100 pay call by company paymasters

2100-2300 March madness round 1,2 all personnel TBA

2300-2330 bull session by company 1SGTs
2331 px, canteen, casino closed Dick
2400 lights out by company 1SGTs

Saturday 17 April

0400-0600 10k run, 3k swim (ice permitting) all personnel 1SGT
0700-0800 chow all personnel Kim
0730-0800 sick call sick and lame Tolek, Myers
0800-0815 bn picture mess hall TBA
0815-0830 autograph party all personnel (bring short snorters) Steve
0845-1100 show n tell all personnel Steve
1100-1230 show n tell all personnel TBA
1230-1315 chow all personnel Kim
1315-1325 sing along all personnel Kathy
1325-1630 March Madness (if necessary) all personnel 1SGTs
1630-1755 show n tell all personnel Steve
1755-1800 nap individual
1800-1845 Cheney reception and birthday party all personnel Judy
1900-2100 March Madness finals all personnel TBA
2100-2200 Awards, Fest X raffle all personnel Ed
2200-2230 Poker training all players Brad
2230-2400 military poker game reenactment all players Brad
2230-2400 movie in mess hall interested personnel Joe
2200-2300 auction lot viewing (concurrent) all personnel Ski
2400 snack time (left overs) interested personnel Bill Y.
2400 canteen & casino close, lights out all personnel
2401 bed check all personnel 1SGTs

Sunday 18 April

0400-0600 10k run, 3k swim (ice permitting) all personnel 1SGT
0600-0800 chow all personnel Kim
0700-0745 sick call sick and lame Tolek, Myers
0700-0730 destruction of obsolete MFC select personnel Fred
0730-0800 auction lot viewing optional Ski
0800-1200 auction all personnel Ski
1200-1230 police call and early departures select personnel Sparky
1200-1245 chow all personnel mess Sgts
1245-1330 break camp available personnel Harold
1330-1700 field training, military museum interested personnel Bill M.
1900-2300 pool party interested personnel Jodi Foster
2401- bed check all personnel Judy

Monday 19 April

0830-0900 breakfast @ Holiday Inn all remaining personnel Kim
1830 local poker game (FRNs required) select personnel

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Joe's letter on the Fest movie gives us this two part question: First, and this should be the easy part, what is the name of the movie? Secondly, name the two vessels featured in this classic film. [If there has to be a numismatic question here, how about, what currency would Bogie's character have in his pocket?]

Answer next time.

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ANSWER TO PREVIOUS QUESTION
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Answer:
Benjamin Franklin and Franklin D Roosevelt
The Myers

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The Myers

Answer:
Re the answer to the question on countries that issued Army currency for troops stationed in post-WWII occupied Germany (MPCGram 1915), I presume I am not the first to point out that Belgium and France also participated and issued ArmeeBelge - Belgisch Leger francs (Belgium), and TresorFrancais and Tresor Public francs (France), to their troops. I know only four answers were asked for (and provided by the Myers), but thought the others might rate a mention. But, were there any others?
Grahame Austin

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EDITORIAL
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Two more presentations have been added to the list which is in Mail Call. I'll leave it there for the next few days in the event someone wants to add a presentation. Make sure you send any photos to Steve Feller (sfeller@coe.edu) if you want them included in his catalog. Don't wait too long as I am sure he wants to get it done by this coming weekend. Go back up to the question area and make sure you read Grahame's response to the question in Gram 1914 - are there any others?

I replied to Bob Unger's question about the Bill Mauden stamps advising they are a 2010 commemorative and are available at your local post office at no more than the current forty-four cents postal rate. Unlike Joe, I did not see the Fest movie in 1951 when it was first released. I do recall seeing it sometime after that; and FYI, Bogart made a number of World War II related movies.

Yesterday I spoke with Fred on matters Gram and Editorial and on some of the surprises for Fest XI. He did not let in on any secrets, but he was excited. He uses the term "worst" in his article. I don't think you can say that and Fest in the same sentence. Fests are like Italian food: there are no bad or worst meals; some are just a little bit better than others. I'm excited too and looking forward to the view of Lake Erie.

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Dear Editor,
I have a show and tell on tracking eBay items
Douglas Bell

Dear Editor,
Any interest in a mini fest in Colorado Springs at the coin show there sometime on July 3rd??? I Couldn't make it last year, but hope to this year. If so, I will try to have a new MMFC for those attending. Let me know if there is interest or not.
(e mail: oth@prairieweb.com or just reply to the Gram)
Larry Gibbs

Dear Editor,
In response to Warner's apparent interpolation of "mimeographed" into Arlie Slabaugh's statement that his newsletter "is printed by 'duplicator'": if the print is violet on white bond, it is duplicator (full term - spirit duplicator process). If the print is black on rough now-brown paper (originally white), it is mimeographed. The two reproduction processes were completely different. Mimeo paper after sixty years gets pretty fragile, but the text stays visible. Duplicator text may have been quite light even when new, if a long press-run was being produced. I don't have a good feel for whether it fades with time, but the paper holds up better. For examples of both technologies, see the KumeShima notes, if you own them - the Lassiter notes are duplicator products, and the Caler notes are mimeographed. Unfortunately, the b/w illustrations in SB don't show the differences well.

When I was in Seattle in the 70s, the O.P. Eklund collection was still being disseminated, and obtaining coins and tokens with his original

envelopes accompanying them was possible and desirable. Incidentally, if anyone has access to a decent photograph of Eklund, the ANA needs it. He is a member of the Numismatic Hall of Fame, and the only photo that anyone has ever found is a small newspaper halftone that looks really ugly when blown up to plaque size.

In response to Al Glaser's question about a minifest at CPMX "last May," CPMS '09 was in March, before Fest X. Central States was at the end of April/beginning of May. I don't recall a minifest there. I believe CICF followed CSNS, but I did not go, so I can't report on military collector activities. I also did not attend the PCDA show in '09 in St Louis - Dave Frank, was there a minifest at that show?

The feature for movie night at Fest XI will be a WWI film set in German East Africa, starring Humphrey Bogart and Katherine Hepburn. It was finally released on DVD just two weeks ago today. I have had it on LaserDisc for twenty years, but I was not going to lug my LD player to Fest. I'm glad the DVD is now available. Right - I have not mentioned the title - surely I don't have to. How many gramsters besides myself saw it during its theatrical release in 1951?

Joe Boling

Dear Editor,

I just attended a local auction in Bargasville, IN and won the bid on Bill Maulden's "Up Front" book that was written by him and includes many of his cartoons depicting life in the trenches with Willie and Joe. I was looking for something of numismatic value for WWII, but alas it was not to be. The only story related to pay, was some knuckleheads in the rear deciding to NOT provide combat pay to the medics since their job was not carrying a rifle. There was such a rumbling by the forward troops that the decision was soon rescinded.

Bob Unger

Dear Editor,

I can do a presentation on the 13th print pogs, maybe after Bill Myers does his on the 12th print? I will have complete sets at Fest.

Steve Swoish

Dear Editor,

FEST XI: SHOW AND TELL PROGRAM

Steve Feller

1. British Campaign Stars and Service Medals of WWII

Jim Downey

2. 12th printing of AAFESPOGS

Bill Myers

3. MPC Series 472 \$5 Counterfeit Plates
Bill Myers

4. German tax payment notes
Adolf Witzke

5. The WWII Notes of French Equatorial Africa.
Larry Smulzenski

6. Major League Baseball and the War Effort
Al Glaser

7. Bulgaria during World War II
Neil Shafer

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8. \$10 Series 472, 46, Ser no C07162179C, bill with property receipt from
the 52nd MP CID Frankfurt
John Cheney and Laura Guentensberger

9. French Stock Certificate #032833 with coupons
John Cheney and Laura Guentensberger

10. A Fanning Island note that is a short snorter
Warner Talso

11. \$5 Share Certificate for the Red Cross war fund.
Dick Dunn

12. A Canadians Recapping of the War of 1812
John Regitko

13. Morocco Progressive Proofs, 100 Francs, P-27, S/B1504
Harold Kroll

14. How to Fill out the Military Numismatic Scholarship Form to win a
Possible Scholarship
Kathy and Dan Freeland

15. Boy Scout Awards for Support in WWI and WWII
George Cuhaj

16. The Texas Internment Camps: Crystal City and Seagoville
Steve Feller

17. Surprise (See his letter in Mail Call)
Steve Swoish

18. Allied Military Government and other World War II Occupation Postage
Roger Urce

19. Tracking eBay items
Doug Bell

20. 13thPogs Printing
Steve Swoish

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Auction by Bowers and Merena
Info at: www.whitmanexpo.com

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Series 11, No. 1917

Saturday, April 10th, 2010

Editor's Note: Steve Feller has updated the FEST presentation schedule; he needs information by Monday.
Because of the size of the message, I had to abbreviate the Gram so it could be sent.

Military Related issue(s) for the Gram/Year: 1917
French Equatorial Africa Emergency Issues - WW I - P1, P2, P3

Fest Schedule Updates
by Fred Schwan

As everyone knows, I was very late in publishing the draft of the training schedule. I knew that I could count on Festers to help get me out of the late jam. My phone rang off the hook within minutes after the publication of the draft in the Gram.

The biggest problem was that I had unintentionally omitted the fish fry for Sunday night. That is turning into a favorite. There will be a Sunday fish fry! I also learned today that after the last two years, Kim at the hotel has had Ken at the hotel for additional fish frys. For planning purposes, if you are staying in the hotel on Sunday night, we are planning on you attending the fish fry (except for one couple that has another event). Dan and Kathy Freeland are staying specifically to attend the fish fry. It is great fish and the reputation is growing!

Also for Sunday night, I received a suggestion that we should have another movie on Sunday night. I think that that too is a good idea. I forwarded that suggestion to the movie officer.

Finally, for Sunday, Jodie Foster wrote that she cannot lead the pool party this year because of a movie shooting. She said that she really enjoyed doing it the past few years, but just cannot do it this year. What a shame.

Steve Swoish pointed out that there is an error in the listing for the Fest Lottery (raffle) on Saturday night. He points out that I had it listed as the Fest X lottery. That is clearly an error. I think that we are up to the Fest VII lottery. You know how I get behind! Ok, lets pretend that we have the power of Congress. I hereby declare the Saturday lottery to be the Fest X lottery and we are caught up with the simple striking of keys!!

Furthermore, Steve volunteered to serve as lottery and awards officer in the absence of Ed Beaman who has been the subject of poor planning. Somehow the wedding of his daughter that was scheduled to be at the Fest this year somehow got twisted around and is going to be in California. I do not know how this big mistake was made. Ed might commute back and forth from California for the Fest and the wedding, but by having Steve take care of the lottery, Ed can concentrate on the commute. Ed, in case you get stuck in an airport, congratulations to everyone and see you next year!

Steve has promised to break all Fest lottery ticket sales records. Specifically, he expects to have prizes valued up to something like \$100,000 (cash, FRN!). He will provide details. If all goes well, we will be able to publish another draft early next week. If you have other comments, please send them.

Fest Auction Lots,
by Larry Smulczenski

Lot Cnty/Subj Description Min Bid Don

1 Great Britain British Military Authority 10 shilling. Series K used during Operation Torch in North Africa 1942 S/B 305 (P-5) nice Fine plus \$20.00

2 China Patriotic Aviation Bond \$10 Central Vignette of Boeing P-26. S/B 8132 AU with minor bends \$8.00

3 Great Britain British Armed Forces Special Vouchers. All ten notes from the 1991 Sale of the Century. SN's end in 75. CU \$8.00

4 Great Britain Valid at TOC H Club in Hanover Germany. 1/6 Mark. Probably the cost of a cup of Tea. XF w/bends \$80.00

5 Philippines WWII Guerrilla Notes. 56 different notes. Nice start to a collection. Circulated. \$10.00 Y

6 French Ration Ration tickets assumed from WWII used in Paris. 5 pieces denominated 1,2,3,5,10 Primes. Originally valued at 10 Euros each. EF or better. \$20.00

7 French Ration Another group as above, but only three pieces. 2,3,5 Primes EF \$8.00 Y

8 Game note Industrial Production Certificate dated Sept 2, 1941. Smaller size but some design characteristics of a \$1 Silver Certificate. Appears to be from a game. Printed by Milton Bradley. "Axis and Allies" at bottom. \$2.00 Y

9 Germany Ration Meal card for one person, good from Jan 8 to Apr 1, 1945. Well used, VG+. Scarce \$4.00

10 LOGEX note Ft. Lee, Va. Exercise certificate for 10 Dollars. 1967-68, Brown. Two avail. Bid on one. Buy one or both. CU \$7.00

11 Club card + (1) Officers club card from Canal Zone for a Capt. Kormoroske, (2) US Gov't Operator's Permit for his wife (1954) (3) Virginia Drivers License for wife (1955) and DCA Pocket Pen & Pencil Holder for him after he retired as a LTC and worked for this agency until second retirement. \$2.00 Y

12 Book An American Reply to Hitler's "Mien Kampf" by F.E. Wolf, New Age Pubs. 1941 hardbound. \$2.00 Y

13 Book Military Government Journal: Normandy to Berlin by Maj.Gen J.J. Maginnis, Univ of Mass Press 1971 HardB. \$2.00 Y

14 Book Women in the Military by S.C. Stanley, Julian Messner 1993 Hardbound \$2.00 Y

15 Magazine On Patrol by Army Historical Foundation, Summer 2009 \$1.00 Y

16 Propaganda Early Nazi flyer offering a variety of propaganda reading materials. A rarity today \$12.00

17 Booklet Going Back to Civilian Life by GPO made for War and Navy Departments, dated Aug 45. This was provided to returning servicemen to assist in their transition to civilian life. Nice condition. \$15.00

18 Transport. Card Produced by 654th Engineers. Text about conserving tires during war. Important wartime message. \$5.00
19 Netherlands Westerbork Concentration Camp 100 cents. Camp 4174/Fell&Fell NE-473) Nice F-VF \$25.00
20 Small Flyer Know your money. Lists Indian values and U.S. equivalents from 100 Rupees to 4 Pice. Issued by 1306 AAF Base Unit ICD-ATC, Office of the Finance Officer. Fine \$2.00 Y
21 Check Bank of Ouray Check for \$1.00 dated 7-5-04 \$30.00
22 War Bond :U.S. Large Size \$50 War Bond dated Oct. 1942 F/VF S/B 227 \$30.00
23 Czechoslovakia Theresienstadt 10 Koran UNC Camp 4114 S/B 704 \$10.00
24 Ration Check U.S. WWII Ration Checks with stubs. Three Different.. Unused. \$6.00
25 Medal U.S. Military Good Conduct Medal with ribbon (No Box) VF \$5.00 Y
26 First Day Cover Cover for the three cent IwoJima Stamp issued on July 11, 1945 XF \$2.00 Y
27 Souvenir of France Etched aluminum plaque on wood. Trench art. 9 1/2 x 12" 1944 \$5.00 Y
28 Military Pay MACV Currency Control Plate from a Marine. 1969 \$10.00 Y
29 Viet Nam Bond A Fake Viet Cong Peoples Victory Bond plus a Certificate of Service from 194th Armored Brigade. \$5.00 Y
30 Silver Box A silver box with a mounted pair of wings from an Air Force Major of the 60thFTS June 1964 \$20.00 Y
31 Navy Card Carrier USS Saratoga crossing 180th Meridian going to Wake Island on Dec 20, 1941 \$5.00 Y
32 German Permit For Kerosene by the Military Government. Written in English and German, used in Province of Hannover. 1946 AU with paper clip rust at upper left \$12.00
33 German Ration Post-war Berlin Potato Card printed by Bundesdruckerei \$5.00 Y
34 Exchange Ration EUCOM Ration Card issued 1949 for military use. Nine coupons. F+ \$5.00
35 Exchange Ration Similar to above. U.S. Army in Europe Card or 1953 with six coupons. EF \$4.00
36 Safe-Conduct Pass Dropped over North Vietnam troops. Colorful flags on face, Pres Thieu at left, two soldiers at right on back AU \$3.00
37 German Ration Soldiers leave ration coupon for Nov 1943. In holder prepared by Leo May with his description and eval. \$3.00 Y
38 German Postcard Typhus vaccination information issued in Kruschwitz, Poland. 1943 \$3.00 Y
39 German Form Gestapo ID form to be issued in Nurnberg-Furth. In holder prepared by Leo May, with his evaluation which is probably conservative at this time. \$20.00
40 German Ration Form issued in Cuxhaven, Germany 'By order of Military Government' on Sept. 24,1945. Valued by an English dealer at 20 Euros F+ \$12.00
41 Ice Cream Wrapper A never used paper sleeve for an Eskimo Victory Bar 1943, Aircraft flying over cloud deck and Morse Code for V on the front. Small emblem with minuteman and Buy War Bonds on the back \$20.00 Y
42 NAAFI Receipt Hand written receipt for purchases on printed NAAFI form. Lower left corner torn away. Date is carelessly written but may be the 7th of December, 1941. \$40.00

43 MPC Check Unused MPC check from American Express Facility at APO 96222 (Tan Son Nhut) One fold. \$8.00

44 Germ. Dem. Rep. Soviet Zone 1948 Currency reform issue with stamp 100RM CU \$40.00

45 Minitest notes Notes from 2009 ANA Convention in Los Angeles, FUN 2010, Long Beach Feb 2010 and Fort Worth ANA 2010 There are 3 sets available, you are bidding on one, buy one or all three. \$10.00 Y

46 MRE As we did last year, we imported some of the finest cuisine from the choicest of dining facilities in Afghanistan and offer these delicacies to Festers. First on the menu is the Arab favorite, #2 Pork Rib. \$3.00 Y

47 MRE As above but every body's favorite, the #18 Beef Patty. \$3.00 Y

48 MRE As above, and finally, for those that prefer Fowl, the #23 Chicken Pesto Pasta \$3.00 Y

49 Odds and Ends A postcard and electronic room key from Tinker AFB, an electronic key from Kirtland AFB and a MRE postcard picturing Mixed Fruit. \$2.00 Y

50 Chit book covers From POW camps at Como, Mississippi and Mexia, Texas. Probably printers waste. \$10.00 Y

51 Bond Pamphlet Straight Talk about the 7th War Loan WFD 989 \$2.00 Y

52 Post Office Form Application for Domestic Money Order, Nov 1944, Blank form. \$2.00 Y

53 Medal and Cert. World War II Selective Service Medal and Certificate \$5.00 Y

54 Medal World War II Local Victory Medal from Leominster, Mass. \$5.00 Y

55 War Bond Romanian War Bond 1000 Lei, 1941 \$5.00 Y

56 U.S. Ration Check Three different checks with stubs. Unused \$6.00

57 WWII Notgeld Stuttgart, Germany 5 RM.date 1-5-44 AU see World War Remembered page 295 \$15.00

58 France AMC One hundred Franc Flag back, 1944, S/B 146a (P118a) XF \$10.00

59 France Marianne issue. 500 Francs 1944 S/B 131 (P-106) Fine \$10.00

60 Germany AMC Soviet Printing with dash prefix. 10 Mark S/B 194a (P-194d) F/VF \$3.00 Y

61 Germany AMC Forbes Printing 50 Mark S/B 186 (P-196a) F \$10.00 Y

62 Money Value Card Green card titled Value of U.S. Notes and Coin in Australian Money on one side, and Australian Money Explanatory Notes on the other. Lists equivalents from 5c to \$100 along with regulations for the exchange and use of money. Fine. \$5.00

63 German ration Bread card stub, good from Aug 21 to Nov 12, 1944. Issued and used in Vienna. Irregular edge. XF \$1.00 Y

64 German ration Weekly ration card used in Berlin for foreign civilian workers. Good from June 19 to 25, 1944 Two coupons. \$8.00

65 French Form Two forms from Occupied France for the acquisition of prepared paint. Issued Feb 7, 1944 VF \$4.00

66 Philippines One Peso dated 1941. This is the artificially aged by the Bureau of Standards note. Made it look like used currency, then it was shipped to the guerrilla fighters. Difficult to find. VG as usual. \$90.00

67 US Ration Coupons Five OPA Coupons. One, 5, 20, and 100 points for Processed Foods and one for 5 lbs of Sugar VF-CU \$5.00

68 UK Fuel Coupons Four mini-sheets, each with two petrol coupons valid until 16 Aug, 1957 from the Minister of Power. Consecutively numbered,

each has 2 units of A, 4 units B. Two groups avail. Bid one, take one or two. AU+ \$7.00

69 UK Fuel Coupons A third group of English fuel coupons, but these are undated and authorized by the Ministry of Fuel and Power. Resembles the others but slightly different. Six mini sheets and a single 4 unit B coupon. \$10.00

70 UK Fuel Booklet Issued by Ministry of Fuel and Power at Manchester in 1957. For 6 month period. 16 coupons \$20.00

71 Army Songs Hit Kit of Popular songs issued in 1943 by Special Service Division. Lists words to 7 well-known songs including Marching Along Together, Comin' In on a Wing and a Prayer, and Roll Out the Barrel. \$5.00 Y

72 War Loan Ticket Navy's 6th War Loan Exhibit Ticket. "Pacific Theater" at Navy Pier in Chicago. Nov./Dec 1944. AU \$5.00

73 Medal Necklace medal for Arromanches (Normandy Port) 6 June, 1944. Silver-like appearance. \$3.00 Y

74 Medal Bronze Commemorative Medal, Verdun, France 1916 \$3.00 Y

75 German Pin Tag Der Arbiet, 1934 (first Nazi Labor Day leading to war) bronze pinback but pin is missing \$3.00 Y

76 Italy Token Streetcar token from Milan.1944 .Aluminum with a center hole \$1.00 Y

77 U.S. Pin General Federation of Woman's Clubs (G.F.W.C.), 100th Anniversary Pin (During WWII, sold \$150+ million in war bonds to buy 431 bombers \$2.00 Y

78 Army Medal Atlanta Army Depot, 1941-1966. Silver Anniversary medal. Aluminum \$3.00 Y

79 Silver medal Ernie Pyle Victory Medal. To Memories of Landing In Japan 1946. Silver medal \$10.00 Y

80 MPC Series 661/\$20 Couple of light folds, and a "29" in ballpoint to the upper left of face vignette. Nice VF \$250.00

81 Canada Certificate Colorful item given by the Government of the Dominion of Canada for investing in the Second Victory Loan. Quarter size delamination in lower left corner probably from tape. Glue stains on back. \$20.00

82 Canada Certificate Fourth Victory Loan Certificate for purchasing Victory Bonds. Unused \$20.00

83 Capture Tag WWII Tag placed on POW. W.D.,P.M.G. Form 1, 11 June, 1943. New \$10.00 Y

84 MBF Checks + Monthly statement, Envelope and Checks from the American Express Miilitary Banking Facility at Stuttgart, Germany. Checks can be written in Dollars or Deutsche Marks. \$25.00 Y

85 NEI One Gulden Liberation Issue with Queen Wilhelmena vignette. Small corner bend. S/B 5102 (P 30) AU \$8.00

86 NEI Two and a half Gulden. Same issue as previous. Light center fold. S/B 5103 (P 31) XF \$10.00

87 MPC Series 692 \$1 slabbed by PCGS as "New 61" \$75.00

88 U.S. Savings Bond Bicentennial issue, \$100 with Blumenthal signature. CU \$40.00

89 Germany Steuergutschein 100 Reichmark S/B 941 CU \$60.00

90 Austria Red Army issue 1 RM S/B 352 (P113b) CU \$25.00

91 U.S. Propaganda WWII One dollar facsimile with Italian "soap bubbles" text. Three vertical folds. S/B 401 \$50.00

92 French West Africa WWII Orange, 50 centimes note S/B 1381 (P33) Bright CU \$40.00

93 Chit Book Cover Kelsey Coupon Co. printers waste. Como, Miss, POW camp on front, NCO club, APO 825 (double printed) on back with early training aircraft. \$10.00

94 Great Britain British Military Authority 10 shillings, S/B 305a (P M5) XF` \$55.00

95 MPC Series 661/\$20 Couple of light folds, and a "29" in ballpoint to the upper left of face vignette. Nice VF \$250.00

96 MPC Series 541, pair of 5c notes, same serial number, one issued and one replacement. F01761326 and F01761326F A prize for any MPC collection. Both CU. \$250.00

97 U.S. Savings Bond Series HH, \$1000 Bond. Secretary Miller signature. Issued Feb 1980 \$60.00

98 Member Cards ++ Adna G. Wilde's charter membership cards in National WWII Memorial 1999 and 2001--plus Adna Wilde's Fest Challenge coin from 2003. Well worn \$3.00 Y

99 Ticket Scotland vs England. War Charities International Match 14 April 1945, Hampden Park, Glasgow Price 7/6 \$5.00 Y

100 Ration card Army Exchange, European Theater, issued 11 Feb 1947 Bremen, Germany Valid 8 Feb-18 April. \$5.00 Y

101 Japanese coins "Japanese Money" collection, taped into folder, twelve minor coins of WWII. A couple are badly darkened from the tape. Exchange rate was 15 yen = \$1, annotated as effective Nov 45. (This rate was in effect until 12 Mar 47) This folder was a GI's souvenir of Japanese money. \$10.00 Y

102 Book Newman & Bressett, The Fantastic 1804 Dollar-Tribute Edition. A Commemorative Reissue of the Famous Story of the "King of American Coins (1962-2009) Autographed by Ken Bressett. New. (Pub @ 19.95) \$10.00 Y

103 Book McFadden, Grost, and Marr, The Numismatic Aspects of Leprosy:Money, Medals and Miscellanea 1993 New \$14.00 Y

104 MPC replacement Series 472 10 cent SN C00456059 pos 58. attractive fine \$160.00

105 South Korea. Two notes 1953, The one won and 10 won both pos. 39. S/B 101 and 103 (P-11 and 13) \$5.00 Y

106 Australian MFC Three notes from the Fourth Australian Minifest 1, 5 and 10 A\$. Printed on replicas of the 2, 3 and 5 shilling Canteen Orders. All with serial number M000002 except the 1 A\$ which is a star. All CU \$7.00 Y

107 Australian MFC A Specimen of the 1 A\$, as listed in the above set. CU \$4.00 Y

108 Australian MFC A 10 A\$ note from the Third Australian Minifest.held in Melbourne, July 2009. Ser. No. M00001 CU \$3.00 Y

109 Germany AMC Twenty Mark S/B 195b (P-195b) XF \$10.00

110 Germany AMC One Hundred Mark S/B 197b (P-197b) CU \$20.00

111 Japan Ten Yen 1946 with Shoshi Stamp. S/B 947 (p-79b) Fine \$4.00

112 Australia Ten Shillings 1942, P-25b Fine \$6.00

113 Volunteer Booklet Important Information for Volunteer Solicitors, 4th War Loan, Jan 18, 1944. Issued by the Treasury Dept. and printed by GPO. Tips on how to sell the public on buying bonds with all sorts of data on all series of War Bonds and Treasury Savings Notes. AU \$25.00

114 Member Application Moose Victory Campaign. 194_, Some racist wording on application. VF \$1.00 Y

115 Ration Card Type B, Eighth Army in Korea. For use by female personnel dated 1968. Used, SN 08188. Fine \$5.00

116 Ration Stamps Butter and meat coupon strips with values (possibly Canadian) Two gas coupons (French?) 39 pieces \$2.00 Y

117 Lg. Phono Record 78 RPM record (16 in dia.) from Treasury Dept. Savings Bond Div. , from a series of records. This one has two number sides. Side 57 with Bob Hope, Jerry Colonnna and others. Side 58 with Al Jolson, Oscar Levant and others. Excellent Condition. \$10.00

118 Lg Phono Record Another like last, Side 59 with George Burns and Gracie Allen and others. Side 60 with Fannie Brice and Hanley Stafford (Baby Snooks) and others. Excellent Condition \$10.00

119 Lg Phono Record Another like the last two. Side 77 with Boris Karloff and others. Side 78 with Jose Iturbe and others. Label has additional information and restrictions as to use of the transcription. Excellent Condition \$10.00

120 Germany AMC One Mark with partial Red Cross instructions for servicemen stuck to face of note. Interesting statements \$1.00 Y

121 Great Britain The tough 2/6 BMA note with letter "X" used for a very short time in Yugoslavia. S/B 303b (P-M3) VF \$150.00

122 Great Britain Another difficult to find note, the 5 sh. with letter "X". S/B 304b (P-M4) XF \$190.00

123 Greenland Tokens Four Piece Set of Military Tokens. Aluminum with hole in the center. Second set available \$75.00 **

124 Philippines JIM Four replacement notes; 1, 5, 10 and 100 Pesos. S/B 2227ar/2230r (P-109/112) \$20.00

125 U.S Bonds Three Savings Bonds, two \$25 and a \$50. Three different signatures \$75.00

126 Fuel Coupons Great Britain Petrol Coupons, 12 "S" series and 6 "D" series \$10.00 Y

127 Fuel Coupon Esso Standard Italiana 10 Litri coupon issued to US Embassy, Rome, Italy (Copy of Booklet Cover included \$30.00

128 Pay Receipts Two different pay receipts 1943 from Army and Navy \$12.00

129 Payroll Card Punch card, stamped "For peace of mind, Buy Savings Bonds. \$10.00

130 Receipts Group of receipts and miscellaneous from a WWII Veteran \$10.00 Y

131 MFC Set of 7 Fest notes, series 011, serial # 5. Includes the 25/75 errors, \$2, \$5, \$10, \$20 plus \$20 replacement \$25.00

132 Philippine JIM Three pieces of 10 Pesos. Counterfeits, Blocks PA, PB, and PC. \$25.00

133 Check Bank of Ouray check, Chief Ouray is vignette on series 692 \$20. \$75.00

134 Swiss Bond Fractional Konversionkasse Bond.1935, Series 1A. 150.00 Francs. Brown. Some edge tears. \$50.00

135 Swiss Bond Fractional Konversionkasse Bond. 1935, Series 1B. 25 Francs. Green. PC, missing margin. \$50.00

137 Swiss Bond Fractional Konversionkasse Bond. 1936, Series 1A. 150.00 Francs. Blue \$75.00

138 Swiss Bond Fractional Konversionkasse Bond. 1936, Series 1B. 25.00 Francs. Black \$75.00

139 U.S. Gas Ration Set of WWII original auto windshield gas ration stickers. Including the A, B, C, S and T. UNC. \$10.00 Y

140 Visitor's Pass Written for the wife of a guard at the Camp Livingston, LA. POW camp, July 6, 1945. \$10.00 Y

141 MFC Chit Book Canteen Chit book from Fest IV. (face value \$5.00)
\$5.00

142 MFC notes Series 011. Six notes including the \$1, 2, 5 and 10 plus
two double denomination fractional 25/75. \$10.00

143 AMC Japan The 10 yen Supplemental B-note in uncirculated condition.
S/B 265 (P-71) \$10.00

144 Mini-fest notes Thirteen different notes from two mini-fests at 2003
Baltimore ANA. Only 25 of each were issued. Eight of which have UV
serial numbers. \$25.00

145 MPC Check Military Banking Facility, Taegu, Korea w/ tab. Payable in
MPC only. Unused Three available, bid on one. \$10.00

146 Souv. Card Catalog Published by Souvenir Card Collectors Club, A
Visual Reference Second Edition-2009 Retail \$20 (2 avail.) \$12.00

147 MFC Error Series 072. \$5.00 devalued to \$2.00(face) with a \$1.00
non-devalued back Block A-A. \$10.00

148 MFC Error Series 072. \$9.00 devalued to \$8.00(face) with a \$3.00
non-devalued back Block F-A. \$10.00

149 Zimbabwe Inflation note. One Hundred Trillion Dollar Note. CU 5
Available Bid on one. Buy1 to 5 \$2.00

150 Zimbabwe Set of Infation notes. Ten, Twenty, Fifty and One Hundred
Trillion Dollars. CU 4 Avail. Bid on one. Buy 1 to 4 \$10.00

151 Books A lot of war related books \$5.00

152 Map Military map of the United States (1943) by Union Pacific
Railroad \$5.00

153 Map Training Camps in the United States by SOHIO (Standard Oil Co)
\$5.00

154 Short Snorter Silver Certificate 1935A signed at 17.00 N 143.28 E.
either above or on the Pacific Ocean north of Guam, west of the
Philippines. \$5.00

155 Banner WWII 48 star window banner \$5.00 Y

156 Banner WWII three star window banner (indicating three individuals
serving overseas) \$5.00 Y

157 FrahceAMC Flag back 100 franc note. S/B 146a (P118) VF \$5.00 Y

158 Fed. Ger. Rep Bank Deutscher Lander 10 Mark, 1949 S/B 685a (P16)
Fine \$6.00 Y

159 Germany Verrechnungsschein 10 Mark S/B 163 (P40) CU (pinhole)
\$15.00

160 Japan Revalidated note with shoshi stamp. 10 yen S/B 947 (P79c) VG
\$5.00 Y

161 Philippines English issue. 10 Centavos P128 CU \$1.00 Y

162 Germany Bank Deutscher Lander 5 pfenning S/B681 (P11) CU \$10.00

163 Hungary Post WWIII Inflation issue. 100000 milpengo P127 CU \$2.00 Y

164 Fr. Indo China Liberation Issue with letter B. One piastre. S/B
1261a (p76a) VF 2 avauk, bud 1 buy 1 ir both. \$1.00 Y

165 German AMC Russian Issue. 9 digit serial number. 50 Marks SB 196b
(P196b) AU \$10.00

166 Gulf War Propaganda Note \$2.00 Y

167 Viet Nam Propaganda Note with six flags. CU \$2.00 Y

168 FUN 2010 MFCMINIFEST Banquet one dollar Specimen (one of two known)
CU \$10.00 Y

169 Japanese Bond Patriotic bond issued for Korea. 5 yen, rel #2, S/B
2634. VF with staple holes \$12.00

170 U.S. Card Third War Loan card "We Back The Attack" with American
flag. New. \$5.00

171 German Propaganda On Russian one Chervonetz note (P202) of 1937. Back of note has eagle and swastika and directions for surrender in Russian and promise of 10 Rubles. Shot from cannons at Leningrad. Will be in next S/B \$50.00

172 Check Army National Bank of Fort Lewis Washington; 3 Oct, 1929 for \$2.50, payable to Mrs Fred Metcalf. Signed "Oscar Foley (per Mrs Oscar Foley)" Endorsed "Mrs Fred Metcalf". Cashed at PX, deposited by PX at NB. Paid 13 days after drawn. Vignette of eagle, shield and flag. litho on orange safety paper by Irwin-Hobson \$5.00 Y

173 JIM Malaya Five Dollar. Block MB with serial number. S/B 2175a (P M6a) AU \$50.00

174 JIM Malaya One dollar "Banana Note" S/B 2174aq1 CU \$5.00

175 JIM Malaya Reproductions (photogravure replicas) \$10 and \$1000. S/B 2177q and 2181bq2. VF/XF \$7.00

176 MFC notes MitchellFestminifest notes. Uniface sheets of Specimens. Only 9 sets issued. Number 3. Issued on 10 Oct 09 when Schwan and Boling attended IBNS Midwest Chapter. Denominated 8 Mitchells and 500 Mills. \$5.00 Y

177 JIM NEI Five Gulden with Republik Islam overprint VG/F \$10.00

178 JIM Philippines Five Centavos with purple circular Pandita Guerrilla Regiment overprint of back \$3.00

179 JIM Philippines Five and ten peso Rizal Monument issue with "BANZAI" overprint. 10 P also has "ASIA'S BUTCHER" \$5.00

180 Raffle tickets Book of 12 from the 9th District Firemen's Association of Montgomery County. Grand prize is \$25 War Bond. \$2.00 Y

181 Stamp Booklet Cover (no stamps) from 10 cent stamp booklet. Save for \$25 Defense Savings Bond. \$2.00 Y

182 France Locat issue of St. Omer. 1940, Two consecutive pieces Serial # 142 and 143 S/B 263c CU \$15.00

183 Japan AMC One Yen printed by the Finance Ministry Printing Bureau. Serial number C,,,C S/B 263c (P 67c) CU \$10.00

184 MFC Four note set. Series 118 ANA Banquet Convention certificates. Two available. Bid on one, buy one or both \$40.00 Y

185 MFC Four note set of Feller-McCloskey wedding notes. Two available. Bid on one, buy one or both \$25.00 Y

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Who was the leader of the Indian National Army during WW II and with whom was it allied with?

Answer next time.

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ANSWER TO PREVIOUS QUESTION

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Joe's letter on the Fest movie gives us this two part question: First, and this should be the easy part, what is the name of the movie? Secondly, name the two vessels featured in this classic film.

[If there has to be a numismatic question here, how about, what currency would Bogie's character have in his pocket?]

ANSWER:

The African Queen [the film], African Queen and Louisa, German East African Rupien.

The Myers

The assumption Bill and Kathy make is that Charlie Allnut carried the currency of Germany; suppose, not being German, he carried the currency of his native land. Was he English, if so, he may have been carrying Pounds - Ed.

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EDITORIAL

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The updated Fest Training Schedule has been posted in the calendar, so take a look. As you can also see, Larry has done another outstanding job in putting together the Fest XI Auction. There are quite a number of fine items up for bid and many of them are donations so take a good look and see what you need for your collections. Remember, the proceeds from donated lots go to the Scholarship Fund. Steve Feller has also updated the educational presentations, so you need to check that out also.

Remember also to bring along your JIM collection if you want to join in the "JIM Hour" after the bourse on Friday

After putting this together, I realize I still have a lot to get ready before I start packing. Luckily I'm flying in on Southwest, so my bags are free - I think I'll need at least two.

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Dear Editor,

The April 2010 copy of the Numismatist has a page and 1/2 article concerning Operation Bernhard (pages 32, 33) including a mention of MPC Fest X (along with photo of Danny Spungeon and Hans Walter. The two other known serving members of Operation Bernhard along with a counterfeit L5 note and Sachsehausen were they were produced.

John K. Kallman

Dear Editor,

In the last GRAM, Joe Boling questioned my use of the terms "duplicator" and "mimeograph" printing processes as being the same thing. He is

right. I had a brain cramp. What can I say? As Joe suggests it should be for the duplicator process as the print is violet on bond paper. The paper has held up, but the text is now barely legible. I have fired my fact-checker and am now applying for stimulus money to hire a new one.
Warner Talso

Dear Editor,

A mini fest was not held at the 2009 PCDA show in St. Louis. The last mini fest held in St. Louis at PCDA was 2006. I have been told by a number of PCDA members that 2010 is the last year that PCDA will be held in St. Louis. Starting in 2011 the show will move to Chicago. It will still be held at approximately the same time of the year. I guess Chicago is becoming the new capital of the large shows with Central States and the ANA holding future show there.
Dave Frank

Dear Editor,

To set the eprogram I need all programs by tomorrow!!! Latest List follows

FEST XI: SHOW AND TELL PROGRAM

1. WWII numismatic production awards

Fred Schwan

2. The tokens of the SMS Konigsberg

Jim Downey

3. 12th printing of AAFES POGS

Bill Myers

4. MPC Series 472 \$5 Counterfeit Plates

Bill Myers

5. German tax payment notes

Adolf Witzke

6. The WWII Notes of French Equitorial Africa.

Larry Smulzenski

7. Major League Baseball and the War Effort

Al Glaser

8. Bulgaria during World War II

Neil Shafer

9. \$10 Series 472, 46, Ser no C07162179C, bill with property receipt from the 52nd MP CID Frankfurt

John Cheney and Laura Guentensberger

10. French Stock Certificate #032833 with coupons

John Cheney and Laura Guentensberger

11. A Fanning Island note that is a short snorter

Warner Talso

12. \$5 Share Certificate for the Red Cross war fund.

Dick Dunn

13. A Canadians Recapping of the War of 1812

John Regitko

14. Morocco Progressive Proofs, 100 Francs, P-27, S/B1504

Harold Kroll

15. How to Fill out the Military Numismatic Scholarship Form to win a Possible Scholarship

Kathy and Dan Freeland

16. Boy Scout Awards for Support in WWI and WWII

George Cuhaj

17. The Texas Internment Camps: Crystal City and Seagoville

Steve Feller

18. Surprise

Steve Swoish

19. Allied Military Government and other World War II Occupation Postage

Roger Urce

20. MPC replacement update/news

Al Glaser

21. Konversionskasse Bonds

Dave Frank

22. Things that come into a coin store

John Watta

23. North Africa \$10 with seal changed from yellow to blue.

Joe Boling

24. Tracking E-bay items

Douglas Bell

Thanks,

Steve Feller

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Series 11, No. 1918 Tuesday, April 13th, 2010

Military Related issue(s) for the Gram/Year: 1918
Second Liberty Loan Bonds (4 1/2%) issued on 9 May
World War I

FEST TRAINING SCHEDULE,
by Fred Schwan

Fest XI Training Schedule, version 2

ALL PERSONNEL

Date/time	Activity	Personnel	Trainer
Tuesday 13 April			
0830-0900	breakfast @ Holiday Inn	all personnel	Kim
0930-1700	work detail arrives	present personnel	The Boss
1700-2400	bowling practice	festers	bowling coach

Wednesday 14 April			
0830-0900	breakfast @ Holiday Inn	all personnel	Kim
0930-1700	Fest preparations	work detail	Fred

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1700-1900Fish FryJolly Roger The Boss
1900-2400 bowling practice festers bowling coach
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Thursday 15 April

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0800-1900 hotel registration individuals Kim
0830-0900 breakfast @ Holiday Inn all personnel Kim
0930-1830 Bourse preparations select personnel David
1830-2100 bourse banquet @ Big Boppers all available Judy, Ken
2100-2400 bowling challenge all available Doug Bell
2400-bull session/swap meet all available Ski
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Friday 16 April

0400-0600 10k run, 3k swim (ice permitting) all personnel 1SGT
0800-1900 hotel registration individuals Kim
0830-0900 breakfast @ Holiday Inn all personnel Kim
0830-1000 bourse set up work detail and dealers David
1000 bourse and Fest registration open all personnel Loretta
1000-1600 bourse all available David

 auction submission/viewing allinterested Ski
1700-1800 new Fester training new Festers Doug, Warner
1800-1900 chow, Bolinganniversaryreception all personnel Kim
1900-2030 opening ceremony all Fred
2030-2100 pay call by company paymasters
2100-2300 March madness round 1,2 all personnel TBA
2300-2330 bull session by company 1SGTs
2331 px, canteen, casino closed Dick
2400 lightsout by company 1SGTs

Saturday 17 April

0400-0600 10k run, 3k swim (ice permitting) all personnel 1SGT
0700-0800 chow all personnel Kim
0730-0800 sick call sick and lame Tolek, Myers
0800-0815 bn picture mess hall TBA
0815-0830 autograph party all personnel (bring short snorters) Steve
0845-1100 show n tell all personnel Steve
1100-1230 show n tel all personnel TBA
1230-1315 chow all personnel Kim
1315-1325 sing along all personnel Kathy
1325-1630 March Madness (if necessary) all personnel 1SGTs
1630-1755 show n tell all personnel Steve
1755-1800 nap individual
1800-1845 Cheney reception and birthday party all personnel Judy
1900-2100 March Madness finals all personnel TBA
2100-2200 Awards, Fest XI (or is it VII?) raffle all personnel Steve
Swoish
2200-2230 Poker training all players Brad
2230-2400 military poker game reenactment all players Brad
2230-2400 movie in mess hall interested personnel Joe
2200-2300 auction lot viewing (concurrent) all personnel Ski
2400 snack time (left overs) interested personnel Bill Y.
2400 canteen & casino close, lights out all personnel
2401 bed check all personnel 1SGTs

Sunday 18 April

0400-0600 10k run, 3k swim (ice permitting) all personnel 1SGT
0600-0800 chow all personnel Kim
0700-0745 sick call sick and lameTolek, Myers
0700-0730 destruction of obsolete MFC select personnel Fred
0730-0800 auction lot viewing optional Ski
0800-1200 auction all personnel Ski
1200-1230 police call and early departures select personnel Sparky
1200-1245 chow all personnel mess Sgts
1245-1330 break camp available personnel Harold
1330-1700 field training, military museum interested personnel Bill M.
1700-1800 (Time Approx) - Fish Fry dinner
1900-2300 pool party interested personnel Jodi Foster
2401- bed check all personnel Judy

Monday 19 April

0830-0900 breakfast @ Holiday Inn all remaining personnel Kim
1830 local poker game (FRNs required) select personnel

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What was issued in 3, 6, 12, 30 and 60 denominations?

Answer next time.

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ANSWER TO PREVIOUS QUESTION

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Who was the leader of the Indian National Army during WW II and with whom was it allied?

ANSWER:

Subhas Chandra Bose. He was allied with the Axis as they invaded India with Japanese units and Germany produced stamps.
The Myers

ANSWER:

Subhas Chandra Bose
Allied with the Axis Powers
Frank Clark

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EDITORIAL

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As you see the Fest XI Training Schedule is our lead story today. The first entries have already occurred in that Original Festers, Larry Smulczenski and Harold Kroll

have already arrived and are hard at work getting things ready. It has also occurred to me that bowling practice is listed for today. Now who needs the practice?

There are only three Festers in camp. Could this be a prelude to the arrival of bowlers extraordinaire Bell and Glaser. We will have to see. I was going to get in on Wednesday to get a leg up as it were on my bowling skills, such as they are, or aren't, but circumstances prohibit that. I will arrived Thursday and take my chances with the rest of you.

The listing of auction lots is not in this edition of the Gram because it makes the Gram too long and we can't send it out via Binhost at that length. You will receive another copy of the Gram, listed as Gram 1918A, which will contain just the auction lots. As far as bidding is concerned, we will take bids here at the Gram until midnight EDT on Saturday, April 17th. This has been the policy in the past. Please bid by lot number only and indicate your maximum bid; I will check at midnight on Saturday and enter the bids received. In the event of an emergency, and not to place bids, you can call Fred at 419 349 1872.

Since the next few Grams will come directly from Camp Leo May, we will dispense with the Editorials as my comments will be part of the reports. We will also suspend the Championship Question Corner, but will continue with the Military Related Issues Year/Gram feature.

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Dear Editor,

> >Re lot 108 in the auction, this is an error note. 2009 was minifest 4 in Melbourne not 3. Bloody printers mistake again!

> >And re Larry's earlier request for anybody interested in attending a minifest on 3rd July during the summer seminar, add my name to that list and probably my compatriot Tony James?

> >Regards

> >NikSharplin

Dear Editor,

Bought this today... It has overprint of "Jude Warschau"

Help identify please. [Go to the website for a picture - Ed.]

Larry Schuffman

Dear Editor,

In the process of abbreviating the gram, the calendar did not get in, so we don't have the revised training schedule yet.

[Please note the Training Schedules above has ben revised, but is, of course, subject to change - Ed.]

The Sunday auction will last until 1500, what with having 185 lots.

Charlie Allnut was a Canadian, but since the mission and mine were in German East Africa, I think the Myers' supposition that he would be carrying rupien would be correct.
Joe Boling

Dear Editor,
In the past few issues, you have been stating:
> >12. A Canadians Recapping of the War of 1812
> >John Regitko
> >That only tells about 5 percent of the story. My emphasis for 95 percent of my presentation will, actually, be on the showing of much, much more recent Military Occupation notes that have never been seen before. That is all I am willing to reveal at this time. You will just have to be there to find out what it is all about.
> >John Regitko
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Here is a list for MPC FEST XI:

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*Indicates New Fester.

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Long Beach Convention Center

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Fest XI Auction Lots:

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1 Great Britain British Military Authority 10 shilling. Series K used during Operation Torch in North Africa 1942 S/B 305 (P-5) nice Fine plus \$20.00

2 China Patriotic Aviation Bond \$10 Central Vignette of Boeing P-26.
S/B 8132 AU with minor bends \$8.00

3 Great Britain British Armed Forces Special Vouchers. All ten notes from
the 1991 Sale of the Century. SN's end in 75. CU \$8.00

4 Great Britain Valid at TOC H Club in Hanover Germany. 1/6 Mark.
Probably the cost of a cup of Tea. XF w/bends \$80.00

5 Philippines WWII Guerrilla Notes. 56 different notes. Nice start to a
collection. Circulated. \$10.00 Y

6 French Ration Ration tickets assumed from WWII used in Paris. 5 pieces
denominated 1,2,3,5,10 Primes. Originally valued at 10 Euros each. EF
or better. \$20.00

7 French Ration Another group as above, but only three pieces. 2,3,5
Primes EF \$8.00 Y

8 Game note Industrial Production Certificate dated Sept 2, 1941.
Smaller size but some design characteristics of a \$1 Silver Certificate.
Appears to be from a game. Printed by Milton Bradley. "Axis and Allies"
at bottom. \$2.00 Y

9 Germany Ration Meal card for one person, good from Jan 8 to Apr 1, 1945.
Well used, VG+. Scarce \$4.00

10 LOGEX note Ft. Lee, Va. Exercise certificate for 10 Dollars. 1967-68,
Brown. Two avail. Bid on one. Buy one or both. CU \$7.00

11 Club card + (1) Officers club card from Canal Zone for a Capt.
Kormoroske, (2) US Gov't Operator's Permit for his wife (1954) (3) Virginia
Drivers License for wife (1955) and DCA Pocket Pen & Pencil Holder for
him after he retired as a LTC and worked for this agency until second
retirement. \$2.00 Y

12 Book An American Reply to Hitler's "Mien Kampf" by F.E. Wolf, New Age
Pubs. 1941 hardbound. \$2.00 Y

13 Book Military Government Journal: Normandy to Berlin by Maj. Gen J.J.
Maginnis, Univ of Mass Press 1971 HardB. \$2.00 Y

14 Book Women in the Military by S.C. Stanley, Julian Messner 1993
Hardbound \$2.00 Y

15 Magazine On Patrol by Army Historical Foundation, Summer 2009 \$1.00 Y

16 Propaganda Early Nazi flyer offering a variety of propaganda reading
materials. A rarity today \$12.00

17 Booklet Going Back to Civilian Life by GPO made for War and Navy
Departments, dated Aug 45. This was provided to returning servicemen to
assist in their transition to civilian life. Nice condition. \$15.00

18 Transport. Card Produced by 654th Engineers. Text about conserving
tires during war. Important wartime message. \$5.00

19 Netherlands Westerbork Concentration Camp 100 cents. Camp
4174/Fell&Fell NE-473) Nice F-VF \$25.00

20 Small Flyer Know your money. Lists Indian values and U.S. equivalents
from 100 Rupees to 4 Pice. Issued by 1306 AAF Base Unit ICD-ATC, Office
of the Finance Officer. Fine \$2.00 Y

21 Check Bank of Ouray Check for \$1.00 dated 7-5-04 \$30.00

22 War Bond :U.S. Large Size \$50 War Bond dated Oct. 1942 F/VF S/B 227
\$30.00

23 Czechoslovakia Theresienstadt 10 Koran UNC Camp 4114 S/B 704
\$10.00

24 Ration Check U.S. WWII Ration Checks with stubs. Three Different..
Unused. \$6.00

25 Medal U.S. Military Good Conduct Medal with ribbon (No Box) VF \$5.00
Y

26 First Day Cover Cover for the three cent Iwo Jima Stamp issued on July 11, 1945 XF \$2.00 Y

27 Souvenir of France Etched aluminum plaque on wood. Trench art. 9 1/2 x 12" 1944 \$5.00 Y

28 Military Pay MACV Currency Control Plate from a Marine. 1969 \$10.00 Y

29 Viet Nam Bond A Fake Viet Cong Peoples Victory Bond plus a Certificate of Service from 194th Armored Brigade. \$5.00 Y

30 Silver Box A silver box with a mounted pair of wings from an Air Force Major of the 60th FTS June 1964 \$20.00 Y

31 Navy Card Carrier USS Saratoga crossing 180th Meridian going to Wake Island on Dec 20, 1941 \$5.00 Y

32 German Permit For Kerosene by the Military Government. Written in English and German, used in Province of Hannover. 1946 AU with paper clip rust at upper left \$12.00

33 German Ration Post-war Berlin Potato Card printed by Bundesdruckerei \$5.00 Y

34 Exchange Ration EUCOM Ration Card issued 1949 for military use. Nine coupons. F+ \$5.00

35 Exchange Ration Similar to above. U.S. Army in Europe Card or 1953 with six coupons. EF \$4.00

36 Safe-Conduct Pass Dropped over North Vietnam troops. Colorful flags on face, Pres Thieu at left, two soldiers at right on back AU \$3.00

37 German Ration Soldiers leave ration coupon for Nov 1943. In holder prepared by Leo May with his description and eval. \$3.00 Y

38 German Postcard Typhus vaccination information issued in Kruschwitz, Poland. 1943 \$3.00 Y

39 German Form Gestapo ID form to be issued in Nurnberg-Furth. In holder prepared by Leo May, with his evaluation which is probably conservative at this time. \$20.00

40 German Ration Form issued in Cuxhaven, Germany "By order of Military Government" on Sept. 24, 1945. Valued by an English dealer at 20 Euros F+ \$12.00

41 Ice Cream Wrapper A never used paper sleeve for an Eskimo Victory Bar 1943, Aircraft flying over cloud deck and Morse Code for V on the front. Small emblem with minuteman and Buy War Bonds on the back \$20.00 Y

42 NAAFI Receipt Hand written receipt for purchases on printed NAAFI form. Lower left corner torn away. Date is carelessly written but may be the 7th of December, 1941. \$40.00

43 MPC Check Unused MPC check from American Express Facility at APO 96222 (Tan Son Nhut) One fold. \$8.00

44 Germ. Dem. Rep. Soviet Zone 1948 Currency reform issue with stamp 100RM CU \$40.00

45 Minitest notes Notes from 2009 ANA Convention in Los Angeles, FUN 2010, Long Beach Feb 2010 and Fort Worth ANA 2010 There are 3 sets available, you are bidding on one, buy one or all three. \$10.00 Y

46 MRE As we did last year, we imported some of the finest cuisene from the choicest of dining facilities in Afganistan and offer these delicacies to Festers. First on the menu is the Arab favorite, #2 Pork Rib. \$3.00 Y

47 MRE As above but everybodies favorite, the #18 Beef Patty. \$3.00 Y

48 MRE As above, and finally, for those that prefer Fowl, the #23 Chicken Pesto Pasta \$3.00 Y

49 Odds and Ends A postcard and electronic room key from Tinker AFB, an electronic key from Kirtland AFB and a MRE postcard picturing Mixed Fruit. \$2.00 Y

50 Chit book covers From POW camps at Como, Mississippi and Mexia, Texas. Probably printers waste. \$10.00 Y

51 Bond Pamphlet Straight Talk about the 7th War Loan WFD 989 \$2.00 Y

52 Post Office Form Application for Domestic Money Order, Nov 1944, Blank form. \$2.00 Y

53 Medal and Cert. World War II Selective Service Medal and Certificate \$5.00 Y

54 Medal World War II Local Victory Medal from Leominster, Mass. \$5.00 Y

55 War Bond Romanian War Bond 1000 Lei, 1941 \$5.00 Y

56 U.S. Ration Check Three different checks with stubs. Unused \$6.00

57 WWII Notgeld Stuttgart, Germany 5 RM.date 1-5-44 AU see World War Remembered page 295 \$15.00

58 France AMC One hundred Franc Flag back, 1944, S/B 146a (P118a) XF \$10.00

59 France Marianne issue. 500 Francs 1944 S/B 131 (P-106) Fine \$10.00

60 Germany AMC Soviet Printing with dash prefix. 10 Mark S/B 194a (P-194d) F/VF \$3.00 Y

61 Germany AMC Forbes Printing 50 Mark S/B 186 (P-196a) F \$10.00 Y

62 Money Value Card Green card titled Value of U.S. Notes and Coin in Australian Money on one side, and Australian Money Explanatory Notes on the other. Lists equivalents from 5c to \$100 along with regulations for the exchange and use of money. Fine. \$5.00

63 German ration Bread card stub, good from Aug 21 to Nov 12, 1944. Issued and used in Vienna. Irregular edge. XF \$1.00 Y

64 German ration Weekly ration card used in Berlin for foreign civilian workers. Good from June 19 to 25, 1944 Two coupons. \$8.00

65 French Form Two forms from Occupied France for the acquisition of prepared paint. Issued Feb 7, 1944 VF \$4.00

66 Philippines One Peso dated 1941. This is the artificially aged by the Bureau of Standards note. Made it look like used currency, then it was shipped to the guerrilla fighters. Difficult to find. VG as usual. \$90.00

67 US Ration Coupons Five OPA Coupons. One, 5, 20, and 100 points for Processed Foods and one for 5 lbs of Sugar VF-CU \$5.00

68 UK Fuel Coupons Four mini-sheets, each with two petrol coupons valid until 16 Aug, 1957 from the Minister of Power. Consecutively numbered, each has 2 units of A, 4 units B. Two groups avail. Bid one, take one or two. AU+ \$7.00

69 UK Fuel Coupons A third group of English fuel coupons, but these are undated and authorized by the Ministry of Fuel and Power. Resembles the others but slightly different. Six mini sheets and a single 4 unit B coupon. \$10.00

70 UK Fuel Booklet Issued by Ministry of Fuel and Power at Manchester in 1957. For 6 month period. 16 coupons \$20.00

71 Army Songs Hit Kit of Popular songs issued in 1943 by Special Service Division. Lists words to 7 well-known songs including Marching Along Together, Comin' In on a Wing and a Prayer, and Roll Out the Barrel. \$5.00 Y

72 War Loan Ticket Navy's 6th War Loan Exhibit Ticket. "Pacific Theater" at Navy Pier in Chicago. Nov./Dec 1944. AU \$5.00

73 Medal Necklace medal for Arromanches (Normandy Port) 6 June, 1944. Silver-like appearance. \$3.00 Y

74 Medal Bronze Commemorative Medal, Verdun, France 1916 \$3.00 Y

75 German Pin Tag Der Arbiet, 1934 (first Nazi Labor Day leading to war) bronze pinback but pin is missing \$3.00 Y

76 Italy Token Streetcar token from Milan.1944.Aluminum with a center hole \$1.00 Y

77 U.S. Pin General Federation of Womens Clubs (G.F.W.C.), 100th Anniversary Pin (During WWII, sold \$150+ million in war bonds to buy 431 bombers \$2.00 Y

78 Army Medal Atlanta Army Depot, 1941-1966. Silver Aniversary medal. Aluminum \$3.00 Y

79 Silver medal Ernie Pyle Victory Medal. To Memories of Landing In Japan 1946. Silver medal \$10.00 Y

80 MPC Series 661/\$20 Couple of light folds, and a "29" in ballpoint to the upper left of face vignette. Nice VF \$250.00

81 Canada Certificate Colorful item given by the Government of the Dominion of Canada for investing in the Second Victory Loan. Quarter size delamination in lower left corner probably from tape. Glue stains on back. \$20.00

82 Canada Certificate Fourth Victory Loan Certificate for purchasing Victory Bonds. Unused \$20.00

83 Capture Tag WWII Tag placed on POW. W.D.,P.M.G. Form 1, 11 June, 1943. New \$10.00 Y

84 MBF Checks + Monthly statement, Envelope and Checks from the American Express Miilitary Banking Facility at Stuttgart, Germany. Checks can be written in Dollars or Deutsche Marks. \$25.00 Y

85 NEI One Gulden Liberation Issue with Queen Wilhelmena vignette. Small corner bend. S/B 5102 (P 30) AU \$8.00

86 NEI Two and a half Gulden. Same issue as previous. Light center fold. S/B 5103 (P 31) XF \$10.00

87 MPC Series 692 \$1 slabbed by PCGS as "New 61" \$75.00

88 U.S. Savings Bond Bicentential issue, \$100 with Blumenthal signature. CU \$40.00

89 Germany Steuergutschein 100 Reichmark S/B 941 CU \$60.00

90 Austria Red Army issue 1 RM S/B 352 (P113b) CU \$25.00

91 U.S. Propaganda WWII One dollar facsimile with Italian "soap bubbles" text. Three vertical folds. S/B 401 \$50.00

92 French West Africa WWII Orange, 50 centemes note S/B 1381 (P33) Bright CU \$40.00

93 Chit Book Cover Kelsey Coupon Co. printers waste. Como, Miss, POW camp on front, NCO club, APO 825 (double printed) on back with early training aircraft. \$10.00

94 Great Britain British Military Authority 10 shillings, S/B 305a (P M5) XF` \$55.00

95 MPC Series 661/\$20 Couple of light folds, and a "29" in ballpoint to the upper left of face vignette. Nice VF \$250.00

96 MPC Series 541, pair of 5c notes, same serial number, one issued and one replacement. F01761326 and F01761326F A prize for any MPC collection. Both CU. \$250.00

97 U.S. Savings Bond Series HH, \$1000 Bond. Secretary Miller signature. Issued Feb 1980 \$60.00

98 Member Cards ++ Adna G. Wilde's charter membership cards in National WWII Memorial 1999 and 2001--plus Adna Wilde's Fest Challenge coin from 2003. Well worn \$3.00 Y

99 Ticket Scotland vs England. War Charities International Match 14 April 1945, Hampden Park, Glasgow Price 7/6 \$5.00 Y

100 Ration card Army Exchange, European Theater, issued 11 Feb 1947 Bremen, Germany Valid 8 Feb-18 April. \$5.00 Y

101 Japanese coins "Japanese Money" collection, taped into folder, twelve minor coins of WWII. A couple are badly darkened from the tape. Exchange rate was 15 yen = \$1, annotated as effective Nov 45. (This rate was in effect until 12 Mar 47) This folder was a GI's souvenir of Japanese money. \$10.00 Y

102 Book Newman & Bressett, The Fantastic 1804 Dollar-Tribute Edition. A Commemorative Reissue of the Famous Story of the "King of American Coins (1962-2009) Autographed by Ken Bressett. New. (Pub @ 19.95) \$10.00 Y

103 Book McFadden, Grost, and Marr, The Numismatic Aspects of Leprosy: Money, Medals and Miscellanea 1993 New \$14.00 Y

104 MPC replacement Series 472 10 cent SN C00456059 pos 58. attractive fine \$160.00

105 South Korea. Two notes 1953, The one won and 10 won both pos. 39. S/B 101 and 103 (P-11 and 13 \$5.00 Y

106 Australian MFC Three notes from the Fourth Australian Minifest 1, 5 and 10 A\$. Printed on replicas of the 2, 3 and 5 shilling Canteen Orders. All with serial number M000002 except the 1 A\$ which is a star. All CU \$7.00 Y

107 Australian MFC A Specimen of the 1 A\$, as listed in the above set. CU \$4.00 Y

108 Australian MFC A 10 A\$ note from the Third Australian Minifest. held in Melbourne, July 2009. Ser. No. M00001 CU \$3.00 Y

109 Germany AMC Twenty Mark S/B 195b (P-195b) XF \$10.00

110 Germany AMC One Hundred Mark S/B 197b (P-197b) CU \$20.00

111 Japan Ten Yen 1946 with Shoshi Stamp. S/B 947 (p-79b) Fine \$4.00

112 Australia Ten Shillings 1942, P-25b Fine \$6.00

113 Volunteer Booklet Important Information for Volunteer Solicitors, 4th War Loan, Jan 18, 1944. Issued by the Treasury Dept. and printed by GPO. Tips on how to sell the public on buying bonds with all sorts of data on all series of War Bonds and Treasury Savings Notes. AU \$25.00

114 Member Application Moose Victory Campaign. 194_, Some racist wording on application. VF \$1.00 Y

115 Ration Card Type B, Eighth Army in Korea. For use by female personnel dated 1968. Used, SN 08188. Fine \$5.00

116 Ration Stamps Butter and meat coupon strips with values (possibly Canadian) Two gas coupons (French?) 39 pieces \$2.00 Y

117 Lg. Phono Record 78 RPM record (16 in dia.) from Treasury Dept. Savings Bond Div. , from a series of records. This one has two number sides. Side 57 with Bob Hope, Jerry Colonnna and others. Side 58 with Al Jolson, Oscar Levant and others. Excellent Condition. \$10.00

118 Lg Phono Record Another like last, Side 59 with George Burns and Gracie Allen and others. Side 60 with Fannie Brice and Hanley Stafford (Baby Snooks) and others. Excellent Condition \$10.00

119 Lg Phono Record Another like the last two. Side 77 with Boris Karloff and others. Side 78 with Jose Iturbe and others. Label has additional information and restrictions as to use of the transcription. Excellent Condition \$10.00

120 Germany AMC One Mark with partial Red Cross instructions for servicemen stuck to face of note. Interesting statements \$1.00 Y
 121 Great Britain The tough 2/6 BMA note with letter "X" used for a very short time in Yugoslavia. S/B 303b (P-M3) VF \$150.00
 122 Great Britain Another difficult to find note, the 5 sh. with letter "X". S/B 304b (P-M4) XF \$190.00
 123 Greenland Tokens Four Piece Set of Military Tokens. Aluminum with hole in the center. Second set available \$75.00 **
 124 Philippines JIM Four replacement notes; 1, 5, 10 and 100 Pesos. S/B 2227ar/2230r (P-109/112) \$20.00
 125 U.S Bonds Three Savings Bonds, two \$25 and a \$50. Three different signatures \$75.00
 126 Fuel Coupons Great Britain Petrol Coupons, 12 "S" series and 6 "D" series \$10.00 Y
 127 Fuel Coupon Esso Standard Italiana 10 Litri coupon issued to US Embassy, Rome, Italy (Copy of Booklet Cover included \$30.00
 128 Pay Receipts Two different pay receipts 1943 from Army and Navy \$12.00
 129 Payroll Card Punch card, stamped "For peace of mind, Buy Savings Bonds. \$10.00
 130 Receipts Group of receipts and miscellaneous from a WWII Veteran \$10.00 Y
 131 MFC Set of 7 Fest notes, series 011, serial # 5. Includes the 25/75 errors, \$2, \$5, \$10, \$20 plus \$20 replacement \$25.00
 132 Philippine JIM Three pieces of 10 Pesos. Counterfeits, Blocks PA, PB, and PC. \$25.00
 133 Check Bank of Ouray check, Chief Ouray is vignette on series 692 \$20. \$75.00
 134 Swiss Bond Fractional Konversionkasse Bond.1935, Series 1A. 150.00 Francs. Brown. Some edge tears. \$50.00
 135 Swiss Bond Fractional Konversionkasse Bond. 1935, Series 1B. 25 Francs. Green. PC, missing margin. \$50.00
 137 Swiss Bond Fractional Konversionkasse Bond. 1936, Series 1A. 150.00 Francs. Blue \$75.00
 138 Swiss Bond Fractional Konversionkasse Bond. 1936, Series 1B. 25.00 Francs. Black \$75.00
 139 U.S. Gas Ration Set of WWII original auto windshield gas ration stickers. Including the A, B, C, S and T. UNC. \$10.00 Y
 140 Visitor's Pass Written for the wife of a guard at the Camp Livingston, LA. POW camp, July 6, 1945. \$10.00 Y
 141 MFC Chit Book Canteen Chit book from Fest IV. (face value \$5.00) \$5.00
 142 MFC notes Series 011. Six notes including the \$1, 2, 5 and 10 plus two double denomination fractional 25/75. \$10.00
 143 AMC Japan The 10 yen Supplemental B-note in uncirculated condition. S/B 265 (P-71) \$10.00
 144 Mini-fest notes Thirteen different notes from two mini-fests at 2003 Baltimore ANA. Only 25 of each were issued. Eight of which have UV serial numbers. \$25.00
 145 MPC Check Military Banking Facility, Taegu, Korea w/ tab. Payable in MPC only. Unused Three available, bid on one. \$10.00
 146 Souv. Card Catalog Published by Souvenir Card Collectors Club, A Visual Reference Second Edition-2009 Retail \$20 (2 avail.) \$12.00

147 MFC Error Series 072. \$5.00 devalued to \$2.00(face) with a \$1.00 non-devalued back Block A-A. \$10.00
 148 MFC Error Series 072. \$9.00 devalued to \$8.00(face) with a \$3.00 non-devalued back Block F-A. \$10.00
 149 Zimbabwe Inflation note. One Hundred Trillion Dollar Note. CU 5 Available Bid on one. Buy1 to 5 \$2.00
 150 Zimbabwe Set of Infation notes. Ten, Twenty, Fifty and One Hundred Trillion Dollars. CU 4 Avail. Bid on one. Buy 1 to 4 \$10.00
 151 Books A lot of war related books \$5.00
 152 Map Military map of the United States (1943) by Union Pacific Railroad \$5.00
 153 Map Training Camps in the United States by SOHIO (Standard Oil Co) \$5.00
 154 Short Snorter Silver Certificate 1935A signed at 17.00 N 143.28 E. either above or on the Pacific Ocean north of Guam, west of the Philippines. \$5.00
 155 Banner WWII 48 star window banner \$5.00 Y
 156 Banner WWII three star window banner (indicating three individuals serving overseas) \$5.00 Y
 157 Frahce AMC Flag back 100 franc note. S/B 146a (P118) VF \$5.00 Y
 158 Fed. Ger. Rep Bank Deutscher Lander 10 Mark, 1949 S/B 685a (P16) Fine \$6.00 Y
 159 Germany Verrechnungsschein 10 Mark S/B 163 (P40) CU (pinhole) \$15.00
 160 Japan Revalidated note with shoshi stamp. 10 yen S/B 947 (P79c) VG \$5.00 Y
 161 Philippines English issue. 10 Centavos P128 CU \$1.00 Y
 162 Germany Bank Deutscher Lander 5 pfenning S/B681 (P11) CU \$10.00
 163 Hungary Post WWIII Inflation issue. 100000 milpengo P127 CU \$2.00 Y
 164 Fr. Indo China Liberation Issue with letter B. One piastre. S/B 1261a (p76a) VF 2 avauk, bud 1 buy 1 ir both. \$1.00 Y
 165 German AMC Russian Issue. 9 digit serial number. 50 Marks SB 196b (P196b) AU \$10.00
 166 Gulf War Propaganda Note \$2.00 Y
 167 Viet Nam Propaganda Note with six flags. CU \$2.00 Y
 168 FUN 2010 MFC MINIFEST Banquet one dollar Specimen (one of two known) CU \$10.00 Y
 169 Japanese Bond Patriotic bond issued for Korea. 5 yen, rel #2, S/B 2634. VF with staple holes \$12.00
 170 U.S. Card Third War Loan card "We Back The Attack" with American flag. New. \$5.00
 171 German Propaganda On Russian one Chervonetz note (P202) of 1937. Back of note has eagle and swastika and directions for surrender in Russian and promise of 10 Rubles. Shot from cannons at Leningrad. Will be in next S/B \$50.00
 172 Check Army National Bank of Fort Lewis Washington; 3 Oct, 1929 for \$2.50, payable to Mrs Fred Metcalf. Signed "Oscar Foley (per Mrs Oscar Foley)" Endorsed "Mrs Fred Metcalf". Cashed at PX, deposited by PX at NB. Paid 13 days after drawn. Vignette of eagle, shield and flag. litho on orange safety paper by Irwin-Hobson \$5.00 Y
 173 JIM Malaya Five Dollar. Block MB with serial number. S/B 2175a (P M6a) AU \$50.00
 174 JIM Malaya One dollar "Banana Note" S/B 2174aq1 CU \$5.00

175 JIM Malaya Reproductions (photogravure replicas) \$10 and \$1000. S/B 2177q and 2181bq2. VF/XF \$7.00
176 MFC notes MitchellFest minifest notes. Uniface sheets of Specimens. Only 9 sets issued. Number 3. Issued on 10 Oct 09 when Schwan and Boling attended IBNS Midwest Chapter. Denominated 8 Mitchells and 500 Mills. \$5.00 Y
177 JIM NEI Five Guilden with Republik Islam overprint VG/F \$10.00
178 JIM Philippines Five Centavos with purple circular Pandita Guerrilla Regiment overprint of back \$3.00
179 JIM Philippines Five and ten peso Rizal Monument issue with "BANZAI" overprint. 10 P also has "ASIA'S BUTCHER" \$5.00
180 Raffle tickets Book of 12 from the 9th District Firemen's Association of Montgomery County. Grand prize is \$25 War Bond. \$2.00 Y
181 Stamp Booklet Cover (no stamps) from 10 cent stamp booklet. Save for \$25 Defense Savings Bond. \$2.00 Y
182 France Locat issue of St. Omer. 1940, Two consecutive pieces Serial # 142 and 143 S/B 263c CU \$15.00
183 Japan AMC One Yen printed by the Finance Ministry Printing Bureau. Serial number C,,,,C S/B 263c (P 67c) CU \$10.00
184 MFC Four note set. Series 118 ANA Banquet Convention certificates. Two available. Bid on one, buy one or both \$40.00 Y
185 MFC Four note set of Feller-McCloskey wedding notes. Two available. Bid on one, buy one or both \$25.00 Y

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Fest XI Report,

After arriving in Detroit, Dave Frank and I made the short trip into Fest Headquarters where we were greeted by Fred and a number of other Festers who had already arrived. About 1800 we all travelled to Big Boppers for the annual banquet where Ken did his usual fine job of putting out a great meal of chicken, ribs and bratwursts. Fred proceeded to challenge all in attendance and, with the exception of John Regitko, everyone was prepared.

Dinner being concluded, it was off to the bowling alley. John Regitko, having failed the test, made good on his obligation to buy the beer. Six teams were made up and it looked like we were in for an easy time as two of the alleys were outfitted with rails to prevent gutter balls, but alas, these were not the assigned alleys. At the end of frame 4 of the first game, Ski wound up with a score of 39 and declared the game over and himself the winner. Dick Freyser, who I suspect has bowled before, knocked down a double split to the amazement of all. Noticeably absent was Jim Downey, whose confessed use of performance enhancing

substances no doubt prevented him from attending. As a result the competition suffered somewhat. Battalion surgeon Bill Myers became adept at throwing a gutter ball on the first try, then completing a "strike-spare" on his second roll. The yearly al Glaser/Fred Schwan challenge came out a draw this time with no MFC or FRNs c changing hands. Of particular note this year was the presence of Warner Talso, (with a Liberty Card and a curfew) who has eschewed participation in the past. Although he did not actually bowl his presence was a welcome addition to the event. Final results will be posted when they have been completed.

The Fest Training Schedule is posted in the calendar.

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CHAMPIONSHIP QUESTION CORNER

Questions for this space from subscribers and always welcome and eagerly solicited.

The only requirement is that you also provide the answer!

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Questions will continue post Fest XI

Answer next time.

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ANSWER TO PREVIOUS QUESTION

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What was issued in 3, 6, 12, 30 and 60 denominations?

ANSWER:

Newfoundland War Savings Certificates

The Myers

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EDITORIAL

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The Editorials will resume after the Fest concludes.

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Dear Editor,

So far it looks like Warner Talso, NikSharplin and Tony James for the possible mini fest in Colorado Springs on July 3rd. Keep em coming!

oth@prairieweb.com

Larry Gibbs

Dear Editor,

This is just like trains of yore, when a second section had to be added to accommodate all the passengers or freight.

Joe Boling

Dear Editor,

In response to Larry Schuffman's question about the Jude Warschau overprint: this is a fantasy overprint on a genuine note. The note is actually Russian and issued during the Russian Civil War. It was obsolete prior to WWII and overprinting for use in Warsaw during WWII makes no sense. Unfortunately, a cottage industry has developed of overprinting common notes with WWII related legends.

Jim Downey

Dear Editor,

I believe the basic note is an issue of North Russia, P-S133 or P-S134 I believe from 1919. The overprint is from the Warsaw Jewish Community. I had something like this quite a number of years ago. Unfortunately well before I was computerized. Of course probably somebody at the Fest will tell you that I'm wrong. And they could be right. I'm fighting a cold and am ready to call it a night.

What you, and WayenHomren of the E-Sylum (and others I would presume) do, is above and beyond the call of duty. You guys make a great contribution to the hobby.

Best

Bill Rosenblum

[Thanks for the kind words Bill]

Dear Editor,

I see nothing in the training schedule about exhibits.

Jim Downey

[Dear Jim, Exhibits will be displayed on Friday evening after the bourse and will be removed on Saturday evening during the movie so that the auction can be set up - Ed.]

Dear Editor,

I have an autographed copy by Gary Murtha dated 1993 of Vietnam propaganda leaflets for \$15.00 postpaid. Colin at kandybruce@hotmail.com Colin Bruce

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1000 bourse and Fest registration open all personnel Loretta

1000-1600 bourse all available David

auction submission/viewing allinterested Ski

1700-1800 new Fester training new Festers Doug, Warner

1800-1900 chow, Bolinganniversaryreception all personnel Kim

1900-2030 opening ceremony all Fred

2030-2100 pay call by company paymasters

2100-2300 March madness round 1,2 all personnel TBA

2300-2330 bull session by company 1SGTs

2331 px, canteen, casino closed Dick

2400 lights out by company 1SGTs

Saturday 17 April

0400-0600 10k run, 3k swim (ice permitting) all personnel 1SGT

0700-0800 chow all personnel Kim

0730-0800 sick call sick and lame Tolek, Myers

0800-0815 bn picture mess hall TBA

0815-0830 autograph party all personnel (bring short snorters) Steve

0845-1100 show n tell all personnel Steve

1100-1230 show n tel all personnel TBA

1230-1315 chow all personnel Kim

1315-1325 sing along all personnel Kathy

1325-1630 March Madness (if necessary) all personnel 1SGTs

1630-1755 show n tell all personnel Steve
1755-1800 nap individual
1800-1845 Cheney reception and birthday party all personnel Judy
1900-2100 March Madness finals all personnel TBA
2100-2200 Awards, Fest XI (or is it VII?) raffle all personnel Steve
Swoish
2200-2230 Poker training all players Brad
2230-2400 military poker game reenactment all players Brad
2230-2400 movie in mess hall interested personnel Joe
2200-2300 auction lot viewing (concurrent) all personnel Ski
2400 snack time (left overs) interested personnel Bill Y.
2400 canteen & casino close, lights out all personnel
2401 bed check all personnel 1SGTs

Sunday 18 April

0400-0600 10k run, 3k swim (ice permitting) all personnel 1SGT
0600-0800 chow all personnel Kim
0700-0745 sick call sick and lameTolek, Myers
0700-0730 destruction of obsolete MFC select personnel Fred
0730-0800 auction lot viewing optional Ski
0800-1200 auction all personnel Ski
1200-1230 police call and early departures select personnel Sparky
1200-1245 chow all personnel mess Sgts
1245-1330 break camp available personnel Harold
1330-1700 field training, military museum interested personnel Bill M.
1700-1800 (Time Approx) - Fish Fry dinner
1900-2300 pool party interested personnel Jodi Foster
2401- bed check all personnel Judy

Monday 19 April

0830-0900 breakfast @ Holiday Inn all remaining personnel Kim
1830 local poker game (FRNs required) select personnel

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Series 11, No. 1920

Sunday, April 18th, 2010

Military Related issue(s) for the Gram/Year: 1920

German Weimar Republic Notes (as a result of WW I) - P67 - 69

Fest XI Report,

Friday morning saw more Festers arrive. After breakfast, and while the bourse was being set-up, Danny Spungen arrived with surprise guest Hans Walter of Bernhart note fame. Hans had been the guest of honor at Fest X and Danny convinced him to make a return visit.

Nine tables made up the bourse and activity was good. It seemed everyone was able to find items needed for their collections. One item surfaced that I had not seen before and that was a 1943D steel elongated cent used as an advertising piece for the promotion of Remembered back in 1995. I was told it might be in the book and after checking, I found it pictured on page 400. The first JIM FEST was held at the conclusion

of the bourse with a number of interesting overprints being displayed. There were a number of the oft seen JAPWANCAP overprints in various sizes and colors along with a few notes with counterfeit MI HON overprints. There are a number of these being sold on eBay out of Manila. New Fester Andrew Keene showed a number of notes with BANZAI, ASIA's BUTCHER and RUTHLESS. These have been selling in the \$40 to \$60 range on eBay and are all modern fantasies. Three of the sellers have been identified: San Antonio - Federal South - Deenz. Let the buyer beware.

Exhibits consisted of (1) two six pence legal tender postal money orders from Great Britain (2) Bulgaria 200, 250 and 500 Leva notes hand signed with the signature of King Simeon II (3) Two pieces of MFC the first being a series 062 \$35 Hockey Player and the second being a series 1944 25 Ski Allied Fest Certificate both of which were found in Maastricht last week by Neil Shafer. It was learned the owner lives in Rotterdam.

Jim Downey's display of ten Service Medals of the British Empire, round medals on suspension ribbons, akin to US Service Medals, and ten additional pieces of WW II Campaign Stars of the British Empire, star shaped medals on suspension ribbons, was impressive. I regretted not having my camera for some pictures.

Dinner followed with commemorations of the Bolings 5th (or 25th if you count the total years they are married, or the 45th if you count all the years - it's up to you) wedding anniversary and the engagement of John Cheney and Laura Guentensberger and the soon to be (October) 50th wedding anniversary of Jan and Robbie Robinson.

It was then back to the day room to remember Fester Tom Warburton, who passed away this year, and honor Festers Robert Kutcher, Mike Cummings

and Leo May. There was also a special remembrance for Tiger Lilly Cathie Dunn with the dedication of an engraved silver heart on a bracelet along with a depiction of a tiger lilly flower. A moment of silence was observed and Taps was played.

New Festers Andrew Keene, George Swift, Bill Brandimore and Joe Usibelli who joins us all the way from Alaska were welcomed to the fold. There was also a new "club" established for those Festers whose pay books have been filled. New Gold Club members are Al Glaser, Joe Boling, Warner Talso and Dan Freeland.

The Educational Presentation started with an introduction by Steve Feller who distributed his colorful and informative pamphlet. First up was Ray Feller who spoke to us about the Partisan Fighters of World War II Poland who were the first organized Partisan unit of the war. Mentioned was first Partisan organizer Major HenrykDebrzanski and the Bielski brothers whose exploits were portrayed in the movie "DEFIANCE".

Following Ray's talk the first rounds of March Madness were completed with new moderator and a recovering Jim Downey asking the questions. With Larry Smulczenski and Fred given the choice, Larry opted to be a contestant and he along with prior champs Jack Hunter and Neil Shafer were awarded first round bys. Joe Boling claimed the fourth by position while Fred opted to act as observer. Of note is the fact that first time Festers George Swift and Andrew Keene made it out of the first round, something your editor cannot claim to have achieved.

It was well after dinner that we broke for the day, and as always, with all the activities times seems to go quickly. Saturday will resume with more presentations and the final rounds of March, or as Jim says, April, Madness and other surprises. Don't touch the remote; tune in again on Tuesday.

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What was issued in 3, 6, 12, 30 and 60 denominations?

ANSWER:

Newfoundland War Savings Certificates

The Myers

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Military Related issue(s) for the Gram/Year: 1921
Various issues of local issues from Austrian States created after the
post WW I breakup of the Austro-Hungarian Empire.
PS 119; PS 148; PS132-134 and others.

Fest XI Report,
Second Installment

We left off last time after dinner on Friday. We started in on Saturday morning with the Battalion Photo, which I will get over to the website for all to see, then adjourned to the Day Room where the first order of business was Al Glaser offering updates to his MFC book, which is now up to almost 200 pages in length, which will necessitate a new binder as the original one is too small to hold all the pages. Al did another fine job and the \$10 cost (either MFC or FRN) was well worth it.

Next was a surprise: Dick Dunn, Dan Freeland and Harold Kroll unveiled their new book "WW II FINANCE: CANADA AND NEWFOUNDLAND". The forty-eight page paperback, with forwards by Joe Boling and Bank of Canada Currency Museum Chief Curator Paul Berry, is in full color and depicts various issues of Bonds, Victory Loans, War Savings Stamps and Certificates plus a number of photographs related to those issues. The cover price was \$15, autographed, and there was a special issue which included a copy of a bond coupon. Information of mail order sales will be forthcoming as, I hope, will be a detailed review.

After a short break, presentations began with the first of the day by Fred who explained the Efficiency Awards given to homeland companies for production of war materials. These awards were commemorated with red and blue banners, "ARMY" and "NAVY" and a large letter "E" in the middle.

Jim Downey followed with a display of canteen tokens from the WWI German Cruiser SMSKonisberg. The ship was assigned to the German East Africa area and the Indian Ocean. Tokens were produced in 50 and 100 pfennig. Perhaps coincidentally the Konisberg story tied into the Saturday night movie which was the African Queen which told the story of a river boat sinking a German cruiser on a lake during World War I.

Billy Myers showed examples of the 2009 12th release of AAFESpogs which contained only 10 and 25 cent denominations and featured advertising from Red Bull and Coke. This was supposed to be the last issue but Bill explained issue number 13 is now out, again with no five cent pieces. Examples are en-route.

The museum at Fort Leonard Wood, MO was the subject of Bill's next presentation. While there he was able to get a close up view of a set of hand carved wooden plates used to counterfeit MPC Series \$5 note. The detailed plates were accompanied by a wooden press, complete with ink stains, indicating some notes may have been printed, although, not were at the museum and none are known at this time.

Adolf Witzke showed his recently acquired set of German Tax Payment notes which included a 1000 mark piece not currently in Remembered.

Larry Smulczenski had scans of the rare 1940 issue 1000 and 5000 Francs notes of French Equatorial Africa. He went on to point out the number "114" punched into specimens of the 1000 franc note, but, he indicated that, to date, no explanation of the significance of the number could be explained. A scan of a PMG slab showing a note identified as being from FEA was incorrect, as a check of the serial number range showed the note to actually be from Reunion.

World War II and major league baseball was the subject of Al Glazer's talk as he showed stubs and tickets from exhibition games played on 1943 between the three New York area teams. The "war Bond Game" as it was called required a ticket which could only be purchased if a war bond was purchased along at the same time. Another event along the same lines was organized in 1944 with the same teams. Benefit games for the American red Cross were also played, these in 1945.

Bonds issued in 1945 in Bulgaria, Neil Shafer explained, were issued in denominations of 1, 5, 10, 20, 50, 100 and 1000 Leva as reparations for the Jewish people in conjunction with the repeal of the anti Jewish laws. Much of the information came from the book "Bulgaria During the Second World War".

John Cheney related the story of the surrender of over \$1870 MPC dollars to the 52nd CID Unit in Korea in June of 1951. The funds could not be attributed and were therefore confiscated. He also went on to show a booklet of Viet Nam era propaganda notes by Herb Friedman, who is a recognized expert in the field.

Warner Talso had two intact Fanning Island notes one a short snorter signed on the back by US Army personnel assigned to the station on 9 May 1944. The front of the notes was signed by Island Plantation Manager R.G. Garrett with the inscription "All the Best Pop". A token with a 1944 date and the inscription "FANNING ISLAND PLANTATIONS" was also part of the presentation.

Our next presenter was Dick Dunn who explained the use of the 1945 Red Cross Share Certificates. These were a subscription issue where donors would pledge funds towards the war effort and receive the colorful certificate. One copy of a five share piece was in the auction.

Both World Wars saw the Boy Scouts pitching in to do their part to sell savings stamps and war bonds during WWI which earned them medals, one being the Livingston Medal for the highest sellers. The medal, explained George Cuhaj bore the same image as was on the bond. World War II saw scouts earning the Ace Medal for their efforts in recycling and planting victor gardens.

Jim Aitken spoke of Military Banking Checks and introduced the story of then Capt. Henry Neill who was an Army finance officer stationed at QuangTri (near the DMZ) in Viet Nam. A printed handout was provided which told the story of "C" Day conversions and was complete with photographs. Jim's article will be the subject of a multi-part feature in upcoming Grams in the near future.

The next presentation was by John Regitko and you had to be there to appreciate the scope of what was presented and the extraordinary amount of work by John to put it all together. His basic theme was a look at the War of 1812. He then went on, with various examples of notes "created by John Regitko for his amusement only" picturing the occupation of Fest HQ by the United States of Canada. The series consisted of over twenty color issues of notes and a number of paper "coins". The first denomination was \$197 as it was that many years since the end of the war and the beginning of the current occupation this year. Not only was this the longest presentation but it was most entertaining. Examples of all issues were provided to all Festers and a framed example of one of the notes was given to Kim for display at Headquarters. Perhaps John can write a synopsis of his talk for a future Gram feature.

A break was called for at that point and Kathy Freeland provided one as she led us in song with "Over There" and "God Bless America".

To be continued.....

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EDITORIAL

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I returned home (there's a story behind that statement, and I may tell it in a future Gram) Monday evening tired but with great memories of Fest XI. It was non stop enjoyment from arriving at Headquarters and getting a big hug and greeting from Harold Kroll whom I have not seen since Memphis of last year, to Monday afternoon when we left for the airport. Everything in between was a whirlwind of activity. I only get to see most of the Festers at Port Clinton and it was great to renew those friendships. I also had the opportunity to meet new Festers Joe Usibelli and George Swift for the first time.

That, to me, is the best part - the fellowship and I look forward to that. What is also "way cool" is the fact that, even after a year has elapsed, we all are able to recognize each other and remember each others names, without looking at the name tags! We had a number of discussions and in most all the subject of having more time to just chat and catch-up was the topic.

Fred came through again as did Kim Bartish and the excellent staff at the Holiday Inn who again went above and beyond to make sure all went well.

Information on possible dates for Fest XII will be in the next Gram as will the rest of the presentations, other happenings and the results from Bowling, March Madness and the poker game.

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A great start of picture albums and a face shot roster from MPC Fest XI can be found at:

Facebook
"Mpcfestxi" as ID.

The albums are in reverse chronological order as is the custom on Facebook but are labeled.

Send pix to: ctolek@yahoo.com for inclusion.

A fantastic time was had by all.

Thanks.

Cuneyd and Kris

Dear Editor,

Regarding the BANZAI overprints. I picked up one in the Philippines 20 years ago. So if they are fake, then they've been around since well before eBay.

Ken Berger

[Dear Ken, The BANZAI overprints presented at the Fest were unlike those pictured in Remembered as they are in odd colors and of a different font and are combined with

other overprints. The ones you refer to are "legitimate" in contrast to the ones at Fest - Ed.]

Dear Editor,

I talked to a couple of people at the Fest in Port Clinton about putting on a Mini-Fest in Saigon (Ho Chi Minh City) in the future and they reacted positively to the suggestion. There is now an IBNS Chapter there and we are working on having a national numismatic society but it is slowly working its way through the legal and political channels. In the old communist world, the collecting of stamps is OK but the collecting of money was a capitalist hobby. This is quickly changing in Viet Nam, but the "legal" paperwork still has to be processed.

So how many people are interested in forming a group of people to come to Saigon (and elsewhere) for about a week or so to have a Mini-Fest? The Saigon hotel can be one where the rate will be about US\$50 per day (at Holiday Inn standards) and Round-trip Economy on United Airlines is about US\$1000. There will be other costs but most of them will be your personal expenses. Please contact me at HADaniel3@msn.com and I will start creating a list of "interested" (no commitment yet) parties.

The Master Sergeant Daniel

Dear Editor,

Final Jeopardy question on 19 APR 2010:

On June 5, 1944 FDR said of the capture of this city "one up and two to go"

Answer: Rom; , only one contestant got it.

Bill Myers

[The category for final jeopardy was "World War II" and the question was a cream puff; I guess those who missed it were too young - Ed.]

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Amon Carter Center, Fort Worth, TX
Info at: www.tna.org

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May 20-22, 2010
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Info at: www.whitmanexpo.com

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June 3-5, 2010
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Info at: www.longbeachexpo.com

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Info at: www.lynnknight.com

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Fest XI Report,
Third Installment

After our sing-a-long (we were all in fine voice by the way) Kathy and Dan Freeland provided us with information on how to apply for a Summer Seminar scholarship. Kathy pointed out how the form was to be completed and offered assistance to anyone needing it.

Harold Kroll then used a visual display and showed how progressive proofs were made of Moroccan 100 Franc issues of 1943 and 1944, see P-25/SB-1504. The colors yellow, red, blue, aqua and green are used in individual runs to complete each stage of printing resulting in a different image of the note after each color is used. Serial numbers are applied upon completion.

Two tokens from Texas Internment Camps were then presented by Steve Feller. The first was a \$5 piece from the "Alien Detention Center - Crystal City, Texas" which consisted of 500 structures and held 3300 internees to included Japanese, German and Italian US citizens as well as enemy aliens. The second token, a five cent piece, was from the Segoville Internment Camp which housed 600 internees in twelve buildings.

A report on the Konversionakasse Bonds of Germany was the subject of Dave Frank's talk. His information came from a book written in German which he is in the process of trying to translate. The book acknowledges Herr Harold Kroll and Herr James Downey for their contributions! Dave also provided a handout of a breakdown of Konversionakasse to include scrip, bond and teilgutscheine (fractional) issues complete with dates, interest rates, denominations and the different currencies in which the bonds were denominated. This topic would make a fine Gram feature article.

If we were to ask what series and denominations of MPC have no replacements known prior to Al Glaser's talk, the answer would be two. The same answer post presentation would be incorrect. The note found is a series 481 five, serial number D00744375, position #44, and is from the second printing. It looked to me to be no better than a Fine, but the condition is not important its existence is. This penultimate replacement is exciting news and

was the subject of the Official Fest XI Souvenir Card. I would like to persuade Al to expand on this discovery by writing a feature for the Gram. It leaves one note as yet unknown in replacement format. It could be a Gram question, but I don't think so - the series 651 \$5 note, when found, and who knows when that will be, will complete a the set of replacements for the ninety different regular issues of MPC.

Things that come into a coin store was the title of John Watta's talk. In addition to coins, many military related items are offered such as insignia of rank, uniform patches, awards and decorations, challenge coins and efficiency award lapel pins. This last item of which John had an example that was part of the auction, was in sterling silver and colored enamel and fit in nicely with Fred's earlier presentation.

Bank Note Reporter recently had an article on the changing of North Africa yellow seal note to blue seals and this was expanded upon by Joe Boling who described how the process was completed and provided diagnostics. Look at the tail of the letter "R" in the great seal: if it is fat the note is genuine; if it is thin the note is not. The best way, Joe pointed out, to tell the difference is to look at the serial number. Yellow seals were printed in a specific block of serial numbers. This included all denominations and the serial number listing can be found in Peter Huntoon's article in the April 2010 issue of BNR. At present copies of the one and ten dollar denominations are known. Who is going to find the first five dollar specimen? [If you cant' get a hold of an issue and you want the serial numbers, write to the Gram and I will print the listing- Ed.]

Many of us use eBay and Doug Bell told of a free program which will provide advanced search and tracking. The program, "AUCTIONSIEVE.COM" searches eBay worldwide and does not require the user to provide a password or other secure information. Doug has been using it for sometime and with good success. He recommends we give it a try.

Bob Olsen's presentation on Fest challenge coins showed the number issued for each of the Fests starting with three issues each for 2001, 2002 and 2009. The 2003 Fest tops the list with fourteen issues. The coins come in copper, brass and, as Bob pointed out, real silver not just plate. The silver coins are numbered on the edge which you can see if you take the coin out of he plastic. There is one unique issue and that, as Warner reminded us, is the Purple Heart.

OPA tokens are very collectible and Brian Fanton provided us with information on their issue. The blue token were first issued in February of 1944 and discontinued in October of that year, while the red tokens issued at the same time were not discontinued until December of 1944. Black light will reveal red specs on the blue tokens and, yes you guessed it, blue specs on the red tokens. Tokens were issued with a two letter imprint, the purpose of which cannot be determined despite a careful check of OPA records. The rarest of the red tokens are those embossed "MV" with "MM" coming in second;

blue token rarities include "WC", "CX", "WW" AND "WH". For those interested in ration related items, consider joining the Society of Ration Token Collectors (SRTC).

Related to Brian's presentation was one by George Swift who showed us a token wallet with a logo for PREM which was a product of Swift Foods. PREM, like the Hormel product SPAM was a staple of the World War II era. Swift and Company was awarded an efficiency "E" for its war production efforts. Alas if you want to go back to that time and enjoy a hearty breakfast meat you will have to settle for SPAM for, as George says, PREM is not longer available.

George Fitzgerald related how, while at a show, he saw a Chief Ouray bank check for sale which was listed at \$65 with an 8% sales tax added. Although he wanted the check, the sales tax put him off and, it turned out to be a good decision for he was able to find an example on eBay for \$17.50. There were two examples in the auction and both were sold for more than the price George paid for his check.

Joe Usibelli suggested a tour of the world War II areas of Alaska including Dutch Harbor, the Kodiak Museum and the Anchorage Museum. There was also talk of a cruise around Attu in the Aleutians. The summer of 2011 was mentioned and those interested could couple this Fest type tour with a individual cruise if they so desired. There will be more information to follow on this.

Robbie Robinson was in Japan for C days in March of 1948 when series 471 was converted to series 472 and in June of 1952 when series 472 was converted to series 481. In a follow-up to John Cheney's story of MPC notes that were confiscated, Robbie told of a confiscation of \$2200 MPC from a soldier who was a loan shark. Robbie did not collect MPC at the time and consequently returned home with only one note.

Another replacement note was the subject of a presentation, this time by Steve Swoish who had a Series 541 nickel with what he termed as a "tubular error". One of the wheels in the numbering cylinder apparently jammed and left a black space instead of a printed number.

A short talk on bonds was given by Robert Drew who likened canceled specimens to MPC replacements. He showed copied of small size war bonds in denomination of 10, 25, 50 and 100 dollars which were all cashed in Tulsa, Oklahoma.

Two world War I tokens from a Canadian battalion who fought in world War I were presented by Brett Irick. These tokens were in denominations of 1/2 and one franc.

Our final presentation was by Loretta Freyser who had an April 1st, 1975 price list which was obtained from a collection in Germany. The list, put out by none other than our own Fred Schwan listed a set of Series 692 MPC, in crisp uncirculated condition, for \$91.25. The obvious question: was the list still valid and was the set still available at that price. We were all laughing as Fred shook his head "NO!"

Just after the last presentation, it was discovered that a breach in security had occurred and all Festers were to immediately turn in all held issues of MFC. Conversion forms were to be filled out and all funds and forms were to be turned into company first sergeants. Those without forms or funds in their possession quickly left the day room. Forms and funds were then promptly collected and as that was in progress it was noted that Fester Cris Gilmore was in possession of a wooden box which she was closely guarding.

Next time we will wrap up Fest activities; look for the next Gram on Monday the 26th.

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Why is there separate listings for Canadian and Newfoundland bond issues of World War II?

Answer:

Newfoundland was a British colony during the war and did not join the Canadian federation until [after] WWII.

The Myers

Answer:

Off the top of my head, because Newfoundland was not yet part of the Dominion of Canada.

Steve Jinks

[Newfoundland became a part of Canada in 1949, and, if I am not mistaken, Dick Dunn was there at the time. Is that true Dick?]

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EDITORIAL

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There are a few things in the works: first I am trying to scan in the souvenir cards, notes and other items from the Fest into the website. This is taking a little time and I hope to have it all done in time for Monday's Gram. There is also a very nice photograph of our Tiger Lillies which will also be scanned. Just yesterday in an email and conversation with Fred a new and exciting format for

the Gram was discussed and previewed. We hope to implement it soon and the nice part is that it should be able to post pictures with the text. Finally we will run the dates available for FEST XII. Enjoy the weekend everyone.

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Dear Editor,

For those of us who were unable to attend this years meeting, is there any way to be able to purchase a copy of Al Glaser update to his MFC book?

If so, please provide details so I may order a copy. Hope to make it next year, depending upon the dates.

John K. Kallman

[Dear John, I am sure Al will be able to provide a copy by mail - we just need you two to exchange addresses - Ed.]

Dear Editor,

I'm enjoying your Fest reports. The mention of songs which were popular during WWII reminded me of a web site I had bookmarked some time ago. It is series of more than 200 songs which you can listen to in their original versions, made available by VI Corps. There is even a Military Numismatic connection with the song Buy Buy Buy a Bond, by Bing Crosby, as well as many obscure titles.

> > <http://www.6thcorpsmusic.us/>

> >Several years ago I got interested in V-Mail, and now I have been looking in to V-Discs

> >Wikipedia defines them this way:

V-Disc ("V" for Victory) was a morale-boosting initiative involving the production of several series of recordings during the World War II era by special arrangement between the United States government and various private U.S. record companies. The records were produced for the use of United States military personnel overseas. Many popular singers, big bands and orchestras of the era recorded special V-Disc records. These 12-inch, vinyl 78 rpm gramophone recordings were created for the army between October 1943 and May 1949. Navy discs were released between July 1944 and September 1945. Twelve inch discs were used because, when 136 grooves per inch were used, they could hold up to six and a half minutes of music.

> > <http://en.Wikipedia.org/wiki/V-Disc>

> >Many of the V-Discs are now available on Amazon in CD format - they are just not as neat as the original 12", 78 rpm discs.

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> >David Klinger

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Dear Editor,

Re the Viet Nam mini Fest. I am interested if a little skeptical that I will be able to go because of inevitable scheduling problems. Nonetheless, put me on the list of interested Festers.
Fred Schwan

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Fest XI having just concluded planning is already underway for the 2011
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April 22-25 (Easter)
April 27-30 (Central States)

May 6-8 (Mother's Day)

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Fest XI Final Report,

The final rounds of March Madness were started after completion of the last presentation and a short break. New Moderator Jim Downey had compiled a new listing of questions taken from not only Remembered, and the MPC Book but also from some of the presentations. In the second round Sparky Watson eliminated Fest X champion Neil Shafer in a hard fought contest and, after spotting Isabella Proksch one answer, former moderator and first time contestant Larry Smulczenski prevailed.. Dave Frank then went on to eliminate former champ Jack Hunter in the sweet sixteen round. The elite eight round, requiring three of five correct answers, saw Ski vs. Myers; George Fitzgerald vs. Al Glaser; Joe Boling vs. Steve Feller and Carlson Chambliss vs. Dave Frank. When the smoke had cleared, and after some tough questions the final four wound up to be Myers vs. Glaser and Boling vs. Frank. After Glaser and Boling went down, Billy Myers faced Dave Frank for the final where it took four correct answers of seven to win. Two new players were now in the final round and after Dave, having answered eight correct answers in a row over three rounds, led three to one, but in a stunning comeback Bill Myers came back with three in a row of his own to take the title. I guess all of the studying in answering the questions in the Gram paid off.

A new series of MFC (101) was introduced and images are on the website. As you can see, some vignettes are repeated and there are many new images and some different denominations. Initially we were all issued \$39 in travel pay consisting of notes from the new series and one and two dollar denominations from series 091.

The results of the bowling tournament was announced. Remember the rules used are nine pin no tap which makes knocking down nine pins on the first ball a strike. The scores were also subject to handicapping and in the final analysis Brett Irick with a score of 670 finished in third place while the Boss, Judy Schwan, barely missed a first place finish with a score of 678, just one point behind winner Bill Myers.

As is customary staff awards were presented as follows:

March Madness - Jim Downey
Battalion Adjutant - Sparky Watson
Advance Party - Jim Aitken, Harold Kroll and Larry Smulczenski
Registration - Loretta and Dick Freyser
Auction - Larry Smulczenski and Kathy and Dan freeland
Fest Artist - David Schwan
Cassino Officer - Brad Schwan
Bond Officer - Warner Talso
Education Officers - Steve and Ray Feller and Joe Boling

Awards, consisting of enameled Fest coins in red white and blue, were presented to Company First Sergeants, Al Glaser (A), Bill Myers (B), John Cheney (C) and Bob Olsen (D).

It was then announced that Bob Olsen, having served exceptionally, had decided to retire. His position was filled by Mark Watson.

Silver engraved March Madness medals were presented to Bill Myers and runner-up Dave Frank. This was the first time a medal for second place was

awarded and it was announced that this tradition would continue.

Karen Jack was presented with a twenty-five year pin in the Michigan State Numismatic Society by Joe Boling. Karen could not be present at the Society's meeting to receive her award.

Joe had one more award to present and this came as a total surprise not only to those assembled but also to myself. I was honored to receive the ANA Presidential Award for work on the Gram. I didn't know what to say, and if you look at the photos (no, I am not going to post them) it looks like

I'm in shock which was close to the truth. I enjoy composing the Gram and look forward each day to the incoming mail and comments from our subscribers without whose input there would be no Gram to write. I am very appreciative of the award and feel it is only right that it be shared

by our contributors and readers.

For part of Friday and most of Saturday there was a silent auction which consisted of quite a number of books, post cards and other items which were

donations by Ray Czahor, Howard Daniel, the Freemans and others. The lots were displayed for inspection and sheets were provided for bidders to

record their bids. The auction closed about the time the poker game started and netted almost \$460.00 for the scholarship fund.

Saturday evening saw the annual poker tournament take place while the traditional auction was being set up and while the movie, The African Queen, was

being shown in the mess hall. Play went on for quite a while and finally got down to the last table and ultimately five players. Dick Dunn, Bill Myers,

Brad Schwan, Robert Drew and last year's champ Doug Bell faced off. Dick went out first, followed by Brad and then by Doug. When Robert went "all in" Bill called the bet and won the hand and the championship thus making him the first "Triple Crown" winner at Fest. Not only does he have

the large lucite bowling ball, the silver March Madness coins but he now has the silver bracelet as poker champ. Congratulations Bill!!

Sunday morning found many of us at the auction which consisted of over 185 lots many of them donated. There were a nice number of items as

can be seen from the list which was posted previously. The results will be posted when all the bids are tabulated. One item of note was the Eskimo Pie wrapper which was, appropriately, I think, won by new Fester and Alaska resident Joe Usibelli.

After the auction and lunch a number of Festers headed home which twelve of us who were staying until Monday took a field trip to the Ohio Veterans Museum located in Sandusky. The museum rooms dedicated the Civil War, the Spanish American War, both World Wars, the Korean War, the War in Viet Nam, the Cold War and the current Wars on Terror. Each area displayed uniforms, weapons and other artifacts related to the conflicts. Also displayed was a rather extensive collection of medals and awards along with some currency. We all gathered in the library which contained a nice selection of military related volumes. Museum curator Bob Thurston was gracious and quite helpful in showing us around and when we decided that short snorters were in order, he was kind enough to sign. The notes used, by the way, were series 091 ones and twos and a series 101 five, all of which had been rubber stamped "Ohio Veterans Home Museum". I guess it's a fairly rare item as only twelve exist.

Afterward it was back to Headquarters where Ken, of Big Boppers fame, treated us all to a wonderful fish fry. There was plenty of fish and it was delicious.

Monday saw the rest of us head for home after another fantastic Fest. Depending on the date selected, it could be less than a year until Fest XII.

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CHAMPIONSHIP QUESTION CORNER

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List seven countries that had forces stationed in occupied Germany.

Answer next time.

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ANSWER TO PREVIOUS QUESTION

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What two types of US paper currency were overprinted "HAWAII"?

Answer:
\$1 Silver Certificate, \$5, 10, 20 Federal Reserve Note
The Myers

Answer:

1935A silver certificates and 1934 \$5 & \$20 FRN and 1934A \$5, \$10, & \$20
FRN
Bob Reed

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EDITORIAL

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Let me begin with a correction from Gram 1922. There was an error in reporting one of the presentations. Steve Swoish showed us a series 541 fifty cent note, 3rd printing, which had a tumbler error in that all of the digits in the serial number did not print as one of the tumblers malfunctioned. I had misidentified the note as being a five cent piece and typed "tubular" instead of "tumbler" - not only is my spelling bad but I can't read my own notes. My apologies to Steve and our readers for the error in reporting this significant find.

As you can see from our lead story there are a number of dates in consideration for Fest XII. The date to be selected depends on a number of factors not only the other events and holidays listed but the availability of Headquarters to provide sufficient rooms. Look over the dates as we would like your comments and suggestions. The date is not up for a vote but Fester input is important. A decision should be reached within the next couple of weeks but you do not have to wait for an exact date to tell us you will be coming. I'll put myself down as attending as I am sure many others will also.

I scanned a number of Fest items to the website and they should all be self explanatory. One souvenir card is missing and that is the one issued by Harold Kroll. I recall getting one from Harold and putting it on the table but for some reason it did not make it into my bag or home. So I'll ask Harold to send me a scan (any another copy for myself) so we can put it on the website. If you have questions please write in.

As for our lovely Tiger Lillies, they are, from left to right: Judy Schwan, Karen Jach, Laura Guentenswberger, Jane Talso, Kathy Freeland, Val May, Jan Robinson and Betty Slade. The cuddly little tiger pup is named Verity. [Did I just use the word "cuddly" in the Gram? Well it was Judy's word and it is represented here for accuracy]

I mentioned a new format for the Gram which will include pictures. Ray Feller was able to come up with a layout similar to that used in the weekly publication esylum which many of our subscribers also receive. Ray will coordinate to get the program over to me so I can get the Gram out in this new format with pictures along with and next to the appropriate text. This might take a little time but it will be well worth the effort.

Coming up we have another installment of Warner's reports and reports on World War II coins by Bill Myers.

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Dear Editor,

Let me hear feedback about the FB page Kris and I set up for MPCFest XI and about pix you see there. We would like to solicit any photos taken by other Festers ASAP.

If a Fester does not know how to become a festbook member and/or how to upload pix to the MPCFest XI site please let us know and we will try to help.

Additionally I would like to have a list of all Fester emails (or at least those that were in attendance at Fest XI).

Anyone desiring their own headshot from Fest Eleven roster pix has only to email me at ctolek@yahoo.com and I will send them to you.

You could then use that great portrait to populate your Facebook site so we can all see your schnoz! In the meantime make sure to check out the MPCFest XI site on FB!! And send us pix to post!Thanks.

Cuneyd

Dear Editor

Of course I was in Newfoundland in 1949, where do you think I got my Newfie bonds!

Dick Dunn

Dear Editor,

There are quite a few WWII related items in this issue of their journal. It takes awhile to download, but there are a LOT of items you might want to describe to the Gramsters. They should all subscribe to this journal.

> >Howard Daniel

> >[I took a look at the journal and two items stood out: the Australian WWII Internment Camp Tokens and the Burma Banknotes of WWII - Ed]

Dear Editor,

I want to thank the many Festers who signed a note encouraging me in my recuperation from foot surgery, which prevented me from walking as well as attending the Fest. I'd like to especially thank Kim Bartish, who, I imagine, instigated the note-signing thing. I appreciate all the caring thoughts sent my way.

It sounds like a good time was had by all, as usual, and Keith and I hope to be there in 2011.

Sue Bauman

[I am sure all will join us in wishing Sue a speedy recovery]

Dear Editor,

As usual, I'm always in a hurry to get on the road when a long trip is ahead, so I didn't get to tell everyone what a great time I had and how nice it was to see everyone again. The time sure does pass fast when you are enjoying yourself. Actually there's not enough time to do, and review, all the interesting material related to WWII. This has got to be the Greatest Spectacle in Military Numismatics. All the Festers that contribute their time to making the Fest "work" do a fantastic job and I don't think we really understand just how much time and effort is involved, but the results are certainly appreciated. Also, Congratulations to Bill - a Triple Crown. Take Care,
Ron Waddell

Dear Editor,
I was on my way with my copilot to look at a boat today that was about 5-6 miles from Fred's Black Hole and I even told Fred I would be there soon. Then I remembered that I did not have my challenge coin. A couple of minutes later we found out that the boat wasn't what the copilot wanted so I had to call Fred and tell him I wouldn't be making it. I didn't have to suffer the embarrassment of not having my coin with me but I learned a good lesson.....you better have your challenge coin when you visit Fred.
Bill McNease

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June 3-5, 2010
Auction Heritage Galleries & Currency Auctions America
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June 18-20, 2010

Cook Convention Center East Hall
Exhibits, Meetings,
M2C2 Meeting and Minifest 1600 Saturday the 19th
Auction Currency Auctions of America
Info at: www.lynknight.com

Whitman Coin and Collectibles Baltimore Expo
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Germany: Rentenmark replaced by the Reichsmark as a continuing
result of World War I and the German war debt.
[Yes it's the same as last time, but there was nothing else I could find
and the statement is true]

Dear Editor,

Below is something Bob Jaques wrote up about what he was doing instead of coming to the Fest. He was at the minfest banquet at FUN and I hope to get him to the Fest next year.
I am sure alot of Festers would have liked to have attended the event.
Bill Myers

AIR FORCE MUSEUM HOSTS DOOLITTLE RAIDER'S 68th REUNION,

BY

Bob Jaques

What was promoted as the last and final reunion of the Doolittle Raiders, hundreds of fans and admirers were in Dayton, Ohio on April 16 - 18 to attend the Raiders 68th Reunion.

The National Museum of the United States Air Force hosted the Reunion that featured four of the original members of the famous Doolittle Raid of April 18, 1942. This was the mission that showed Japan they were vulnerable to attack, but more importantly, it boosted the morale of the American people, who were still in shock over the attack on Pearl Harbor.

Of the original group of 80 volunteers who flew that historic raid on Japan 68 years ago, only eight are still living and four of them were able to travel to Dayton for this reunion.

The four attending Raiders were: Lt Col. Richard Cole, age 94, who was the co-pilot on plane #1; Maj. Thomas Griffin, age 92, who was the navigator on plane #9; Lt Col. Robert Hite, age 90, who was the co-pilot on plane #16; and Master Sergeant David Thatcher, age 88, who was the engineer and gunner on plane #7.

To recall the mission against Japan in the early years of WW II, 16 Mitchell B-25 bombers took off from an aircraft carrier, the USS HORNET, to bomb Tokyo and other selected cities. This was the first and only time a bomber took off from an aircraft carrier, and the first time the B-25 was used in combat.

Most of the activities of the Raiders were private and not open to the public. However, on Friday, Saturday, and Sunday afternoon from 2 to 4 p.m. the Raiders would have an autograph opportunity for the public. The rule was simple: only one autograph per person.

Lines started forming for the autograph session four hours ahead of the

scheduled time. When a man in line was asked why he would wait a long time for an autograph, he replied, "I am in the presence of greatness. We may never see this historic opportunity again". The four Raiders were seated at a table signing everything from model airplanes to books and photographs. They were smiling and cordial to each person they met.

Since this was heralded as the last and final Reunion of the Raiders, a very unique event was planned for the occasion. A gathering of 17 B-25 bombers from all around the country were allowed to land on an abandoned runway behind the Museum as a tribute to the Raiders.

The B-25's started arriving at 7:00 a.m. on Friday morning and landed at 5 minute intervals until all were safely down. They were lined up wingtip to wingtip along the grass edge of the runway. The public was allowed to see and photograph each airplane and have a chance to talk with the crew. This was the largest gathering of B-25's in one place since WW II. On Sunday, shortly after noon, all 17 B-25's took off and flew over the Museum in formation.

In a private ceremony, the Raiders held up a sterling silver goblet and offered a toast to the Raiders who had died since their last Reunion. Each of the 80 silver goblets has the name of a Raider engraved twice: once right side up and once upside down.

If a Raider is living the goblet is placed right side up, and when the Raider dies he goblet is placed upside down. In either position the name is readable. The collection of goblets is permanently housed at the Museum and is available for the public to view.

A banquet for about 400 people was held Saturday night in the Museum. One of the featured speakers was Michael B. Donley, the Secretary of the Air Force. Looking at the four seated Raiders at one table, Donley said, "It is an honor for me to be with you at this historic reunion".

The days at the Reunion passed quickly and the four aging heroes were ready to return home. Will there be another reunion next year? Nothing definite was decided, but for those who came to this 68th Reunion their memories will last for

a long time.

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What two countries printed AMC schillings?

Answer next time.

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ANSWER TO PREVIOUS QUESTION

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There were no answers submitted to the last question; Bill Myers must be out of town

away from a computer. How about the rest of you, care to give it a try?

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EDITORIAL

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This was supposed to go out yesterday, in fact, I started it on Thursday to get a little ahead. But yesterday we decided to plant the veggies and how long does that take? Well it took a long time and the Gram never went out.

Today we were outside again and my plan to do this first thing this morning went by the wayside. I was determined to get his out today.

My May edition of Bank Note Reporter arrived today in its new format and, like Numismatic News, I like the smaller version better. The front page features a story by some MPC collector named Schwan reporting a newly discovered

replacement series 481 \$5 piece of MPC. This is old news to Festers, and remember, you heard and saw it here first!. Neil Shafer finished up his short series on notes from Antique Province which will be cut out and joined with the first

report and added to Neil's original 1974 book. Could these reports be the start of a new edition on Guerrilla Currency?

Many thanks to Bob Jacques for a great report. How cool would it have been to be there for the ceremony. Unfortunately it coincided exactly with the dates of FestXI. Think of the possibilities of not only meeting four distinguished WW II

veterans but having them sign a special issue of MFC, perhaps featuring General Doolittle on the face and a B25 taking off from the USS Hornet on the back. The museum at Dayton is a great place and seeing all those B25s in formation would have been a sight. Did Bob Jacques take any pictures. If so send them to the Gram and we will post them to the website. Hopefully time will not take its toll on any of the survivors and there will be a reunion in 2012. We could insure a representative Fester is in attendance.

Would anyone who attended Central States care to send in a report?

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Dear Editor,

I must have missed a previous discussion. I would like to know what journal you were talking about in the following blurb. Sorry for the bother. Also wanted to tell you I've really enjoyed reading the Gram.

Thanks,,

Terry V. Brunton

Dear Editor,

This was forwarded to me and is related to my previous letter. The link to the catalog is:

www.momentarium.com.au/documents/journals/2010%20april%20journal.pdf

30 April 2010

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>> >>Internment Camp Tokens

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>> >>In our latest journal, we included a few scarce Internment Camp tokens fromWWII. Some of these tokens have sold already, though, at the recent Bathex show, we managed to pick up a few more of these popular items.

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>> >>These are an important part of Australian numismatic history and collectors sweep these up as soon as they come on the market. With higher denominations getting harder and harder to find, owning one of these marvellous pieces of WWII history is a collectors delight.

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>> >>We also have plenty of ANZAC collectables in stock. The Digger Bear, an item we would not normal stock, has sold very well and we have reorder twice on these. If you would like one please place you order before they run out.

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>> >>THREE PENCE. Uncirculated. \$475
>> >>TWO SHILLINGS. good Extremely Fine. \$2,000
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Howard Daniel

[Editor's note: John sent in these three emails and since they are Fest related I decided to publish all of them at once.]

Dear Editor,

REFRESHMENTS AT BOWLING

> >For three years in a row, I was found negligent in not presenting my MPC Fest challenge coin at the Big Boy Diner during Thursdays dinner. Since it appears that I was the only one, I considered it my duty to provide the refreshments at the Bowling Tournament following the dinner.
> >Lest somebody think that I am stupid, for the record, it was not for the fact that I didnt have a challenge coin with me that caused me to buy the drinks, but rather that I forgot that I had one challenge coin in my I.D. pouch and a further 37 pieces in the briefcase that I brought with me to the dinner.
> >I know those of you who participated in the consumption of the free drinks will forgive me for my oversight, while the others are probably thinking that he is either a senior whose mind is not as sharp as it used to be, or that the minds of Canadians freeze up from the cold. Or it might be the fact that, although I have no problem storing information, my problem is retrieving it.
> >Or else I simply withheld my coin because it has been my pleasure to provide refreshments to my fellow Festers at each of the three Fests that I have attended.
> >I have a feeling that I will again forget to bring a challenge coin to MPC Fest XII.
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> >EXTENDED MPC FEST XI: STAYING OVER SUNDAY AND MONDAY

I just want to state for all the Festers that left MPC Fest XI on Sunday morning that they missed out on a lot by leaving early (double too bad for those who didnt come at all). The impromptu events that occurred on Sunday afternoon and evening, as well as all day Monday, made it very worth-while to stay the extra time.
> >The extra cost for the hotel room was as low as it gets, with breakfasts and lunches thrown in. Also included was transportation to and from to two local Veterans Museums that were larger and more spectacular than I expected, and a trip to Johnsons Island that has a well-maintained Confederate soldiers cemetery and historical marker. The birthday cake from Kim on Monday and the special MPC Fest XI note signing for my birthday was a bonus for me.
> >If Fred were to again plan, either in advance or impromptu, similar full-day activities for Sunday and Monday, I would not want to miss it next year!

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> >THANK YOU TO THE SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE I would like to take this opportunity to thank the MPC Scholarship Selection Committee for choosing me as one of the people selected to attend the Military Numismatics course at this years Summer Seminar in Colorado Springs . I just hope that I will live up to fellow Festers Fred Schwans and Joe Bolings standards.

> >In addition to the course itself, I am also looking forward to participating in the Minting Mayhem: Creating Errors evening mini-seminar taught by another fellow Fester, George Cuhaj. In my desire to aspire to new heights, I thought the easiest way I can achieve it is to take the Cog Railway to the summit of 14,110-foot Pikes Peak . Sure beats Torontos 75-foot high Scarborough Bluffs.

> >With the instructors Fred Schwan and Joe Bolings teaching expertise, I am sure I will walk away richer in knowledge about military currency and history. Sounds like a great time with great people. I have already booked my flight, confirmed my membership in the ANA, confirmed by accommodations with ANA headquarters and filled in the forms sent to me by the ANA. I am looking forward to it immensely!

John Regitko

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Dear Editor,

My vote is April 1-3

David E. Seelye

DATES FOR FEST XII

Just in from Headquarters are the dates under consideration for Fest XII. Fest XI having just concluded planning is already underway for the 2011 edition of the Fest. Below are the dates under consideration and those planning

to attend are requested to submit suggestions and opinions on their date of preference. More information is available in the Editorial Section below.

Dates to be considered are:

March 4-6

March 11-13 (CPMX 10 - 13)

March 18-20 (ANA Sacramento 17-20)

March 25-27

April 1-3

April 8-10 (Maastricht & Michigan State)

April 15-17 (Palm Sunday)

April 22-25 (Easter)

April 27-30 (Central States)

May 6-8 (Mother's Day)

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Germany: Rentenmark replaced by the Reichsmark as a continuing result of World War I and the German war debt.

[Yes it's the same as last time, but there was nothing else I could find and the statement is true]

The Emergency Money Collector
Vol.. II NO. 2 Spring 1953,
by Warner Talso

Arlie apologizes for the erratic publication schedule of the magazine. The magazine now consists of 24 pages.

U.S. Civil War Paper Money Printed on Substitute Paper by Arlie Slabaugh. During the U.S. Civil War many different kinds of paper were used in the Confederate States to print banknotes. With the blockage and little paper making capability, the South often had to resort to extreme measures. Materials used included the backs of bills of exchange; backs of old notes; plain paper, wall paper, and envelops. What follows are 6 pages listing notes by state, county, town and private enterprises. Russian Cheese Money. Very little is known of this currency except that it was issued during WWI by stamping cakes of cheese with a seal and value in indelible ink. The seal was of dancing girl or fairy(?). The pieces were about 3 X 5. Apparently very rare. Arlie wants to know if any reader knows of another specimen.

Hungarian Inflation Money by Charles Z. Mihlyi. Many countries have gone down in history as issuing large denomination notes, Germany and Russia after WWI, Greece and China recently (keep in mind this is 1953). But, Hungary in 1949 reached astronomical heights. As banknotes of a million pengos proved inadequate, mil-pengo notes were issued (notes of multiples of a million). Then bil-pengo notes (notes of a quadrillion pengos). Finally, the Ado-Pengo or Tax Note. These were notes to be used as currency and, depending on the issue date, could be used to pay taxes. One assumes this means their value was guaranteed for tax purposes. Chapter IV of Russian Emergency Paper Money by Vladimer M. Oushkoff is presented. This eight page chapter discussed the emergency paper money in the Crimea and Southeast Russia. The Germans occupied the Crimea until 1918 and issued few notes. The author relocated to the Crimea in autumn 1919 and writes of his observations. Many local issues consisted of state bonds with the inscription informing the bearer that the bond was legal tender.

The next region covered was the North Caucasus. This was a small region with many local issues because of the diversity of the population and the civil war.

The eighth region covered is the Transcaucasus. This is an area where 24 different languages were spoken. In addition, the population was very independent and did not want to join Soviet Russia.

Dr. Arnold Keller of Berlin-Wittenau, Germany, writes WANTED: To add to my collection of 150,000 pieces of paper money of all countries. I desire to exchange with the USA. I am looking for state and bank notes and POW notes and tickets. (Note: Is this the same Arnold Keller who is mentioned in the GRAM of March 29th as being elected to the IBNS Hall of Fame?)

Also, Elmer Wright of Champagne, Illinois, wants to buy POW money and Civil War Sutlers tokens.

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Attention Philippine Collectors,
by Ray Czahor

1. Many nice Consignments for Mailbid XIV have been received--Cutoff for submitting consignments is 7 May. I have working to list the second largest Philippine Guerrilla Currency collection I have ever seen and it has put me behind in listing all other consignment lots. This collection belonged to Jack Glass who passed away early last year. I expect the total Guerilla Currency lots will total about 500!!! I also will include 16 Counterstamps from my personal collection. Also received Jack Glass's nice collection of Philippine medals, a number I have not seen before. I will be offering several Homma Medals. There will be about 250 lots of WWII books including about 40 notebooks that CM Nielsen put together prior to 1974; they were organized by WWII country, state, province or municipality and included related articles, his letters to officials, an occasional fake note and other miscellanea and could be of high interest to collectors who

specialize in WWII countries. Books on Chinese Banking and Numismatics will be heavily represented. Several high grade US/PI coins will be included including a RARE NGC AU55 1906S Peso!! Mailbid XIV will include stamps, tokens, Philippine Numismatic books and new and used coin albums. List hopefully sent out in June.

2. ALERT: I have heard from several independent sources that there is at least two groups of counterfeiters actively working in the Philippines. Look closely at any Counterstamped coins, scarcer US/PI coins, and certain province/municipality Guerrilla issues if you are buying them from the Philippines or Ebay. My web site includes characteristics of fake guerrilla notes from Luzon, KKK, and Palawan. The fake notes are next to the genuine ones and this hopefully will educate all collectors. If you have other detailed notes on fake guerrilla currency, please forward to me and I will make that information available on my website:

Web Page: <http://mysite.verizon.net/cookiejarpi/>

3. I have consigned for immediate sale a 1912S Peso in a ANACS MS62 holder. The 1912S was probably graded by ANACS in the early-mid '90s based on the holder. The coin is fully lustrous, has a few black specs on both sides, but does have some gray-brown discoloring in the field and

letters to the right of the shield on reverse. The fields are free of any contact marks except for one tiny tick mark above the shield. I would agree with the MS62 grade ANACS gave it. PCGS would not cross it over to an MS62 because of the discoloring. Only 7 pieces have been graded higher by the three major grading services. The starting bid for this 1912S Peso is \$5900 and award will be made 5% over the next lower bid. The 1912S will be sent by Registered Mail to any winner in the US and by Insured Express Mail if the winner is located Overseas and the consignor will pay the shipping costs. I have sent scans to some potential collectors but have yet to receive a

bid. Therefore I am opening the possible sale to everyone on my mailing list. I have extended the close date to midnight EDT 10 May from 3 May. If you want scans of the coin, please email me.

4. Philippine Collectors Forum (PCF). We are now confirmed by ANA for a PCF club table and meeting room for the 2010 PCF. We are already on the ANA schedule to meet in Boston, MA on Friday afternoon, 13th of August, 1 - 5PM during the ANA World's Fair of Money. I ask all that can to attend as I believe we will have a number of interesting set of presentations. A significant addition is that I recently salvaged a Hi-end Sharp Video projector and purchased a remote for its operation. It appears to have versatile input options including RGB, RS232, and USB. Hopefully having this video capability plus the normal 35mm and Overhead Projector will encourage many of you to consider doing a presentation this year. Please let me know your ideas for presentations.

5. I still have in stock the following books/studies if you are interested:

a. Lyman Allen's 6th (2008-2009) edition of "US/Philippine Coins". As in the past, the edition contains new varieties and updated certified coins' listings from the different grading services. Values have been vastly updated. Also included is a coin checklist at the back. Price is \$28 Postpaid to US and APO/FPO addresses. Price to Overseas addresses is \$35 for airmail postage.

b. "History and Mintage Philippine Counterstamped Coins 1828-1839" by Quint Jose MA. Oropilla Y Fortich, M.D. It is well researched containing original archival documents, many photos, and important information about counterstamped coins never before published. This is a large (9 1/2 by 12 1/2 inches) hardbound 225 page book weighing about 4 lbs for shipping. For any Philippine or Spanish Colonies collector having interest in this unique series, you need this book. Cost in the US is \$120 plus \$6 for insured book rate to US addresses. (Overseas addresses please inquire about shipping rates to your country.)

c. "The Philippine 1906S Philippine Peso, Die Characteristics: Genuine and Fake", August 2004. I initially presented this research study at PCF 2004. It has 20 pages with 13 of those color photographs. Cost is \$8.00 postpaid within US and \$10.00 overseas. It was published in the ANA Journal, Summer 2006 edition.

d. A listing of known die combinations used in production of the Homma Medal. I presented this paper at the Philippine Collectors Forum in August 2008 and I exhibited some 20 different Homma medals. Cost is \$5 to US addresses Postpaid and \$7 to Overseas Addressees.

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The George Thomas collection was sold by NASCA (now R. Smythe). This collection was strong for what country?

Answer next time.

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ANSWER TO PREVIOUS QUESTION

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What two countries printed AMC schillings?

Answer:

Great Britain and USA (BEP & Forbes)

I must have forgotten to renew my subscription as I never got Gram 1924.

I was out of town last week but I had computer access so I would not miss a gram.

The Myers

Answer:

US and USSR?

David Ray

[Good guess Dave, but it is in the book]

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EDITORIAL

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I have had a couple of emails stating Gram 1924 was never received. I looked in Yahoo (Grams published) and in Binhost as well as my own email and, to my surprise, there was no number 1924 which was sent out on Wednesday the 28th of April. This Gram featured one of Warner's ongoing series of reports which explains why neither he nor Wayne Homren (eSylum) never saw it. As you can see it was resent as the feature in this

edition. I am at a loss to explain how or why this occurred as I went through all the normal procedures for sending it out. So, if you sent in any correspondence and you have not seen it, please send it in again and we

make it part of another Gram.

It is worth the trip to the link in Ray's article on counterfeit notes coming out of the Philippines. I printed out the examples which show up much larger than on the screen.

The magazine which featured the Internment Camp tokens is the "MONETARIUM AUSTRALIA"

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Dear Editor,
To All:

Many, many thanks for the all signed Get Well card for my ailing wife, Joanne Schrier. She is coming along fairly well despite nausea with the first stage of the lung cancer cure-chemical poisoning of the body aka Chemo-to be followed by the excision of the remaining bad cells. She is being treated with the most advanced techniques at the University of California SF and we are praying for a complete recovery. We are both very optimistic about her future and hope none of you or your families go through this terrible ordeal.
Joanne and Nick Schrier

Dear Editor:

Thanks for printing my article about the 68th Doolittle Raider's Reunion. I am pleased you found it of interest for your organization.

Please note that there is not a "C" in my last name. I did take some photos and would be glad to share them if Bill Myers did not send some to you.

Have a great week and thanks again.

Sincerely,

Bob Jaques

Aviation historian [Dear Bob, Our apologies for the misspelling.

Pictures would be great, just email them over and we will put them on the website - Ed.]

Dear Editor,

I would really like to thank the scholarship committee for the most generous

award of the scholarship that they gave me to attend this years ANA Summer School

Advanced Military Numismatics Class.

The costs associated with traveling half way around the world and all the extras

mean that those students who come from overseas and especially from Australia

face huge expenses, even if we who have been before know

that the pain is well worth the gain!

Be assured that the Gram and Military numismatics will always gain

from my enthusiastic endorsement both in print and speech.

I look forward to meeting those Gramsters and those who are

new to this branch of numismatics who are attending the

Military numismatic courses this year at Colorado Springs.
It is less than 2 months to go!
NikSharplin and I are into serious planning regarding our presentation
and
a few surprises
Best regards
Tony James
Sydney Australia

Dear Editor,
I read with interest about the Doolittle's Raiders Reunion. I had no knowledge that such a reunion is still ongoing. What a moment in history! Just the word Doolittle's Raiders immediately brought to mind the book, "Thirty Seconds over Tokyo" by Captain Ted Lawson. If any gramsters have not read this book, do it now. The copy that I have was purchased at a flea market some years ago and was published in 1943. The book is dedicated to the men who did not return from the raid. The dust jacket mentions that "400,000 copies were printed and that the publisher hopes some of the books will fall into the hands of big-wigs in Nazi Germany and Japan." Also, on the back flap is an ad to buy war bonds and to send the book to one of our men in uniform when you are done. It states to send to someone you know in the service, drop it by the nearest USO office, or mail to the Commanding General, 4th Corps Headquarters, Atlanta, Ga. The postage rate was only 3 cent per pound. The book has some great pictures of the men and the USS Hornet. An outstanding remembrance of WWII!
Pau Walters
Landrum, South Carolina

Dear Editor,
How is this for a classic example of early MPC??? \$45.00 for the first gramster interested party.
Cheers,
Colin at kandybruce@hotmail.com
[Colin sent two pictures of a Connecticut Revolutionary War Note; go to the website to see the images - Ed.]

DATES FOR FEST XII

Just in from Headquarters are the dates under consideration for Fest XII. Fest XI having just concluded planning is already underway for the 2011 edition of the Fest. Below are the dates under consideration and those planning to attend are requested to submit suggestions and opinions on their date of preference. More information is available in the Editorial Section below.
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March 4-6
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March 25-27

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There Is More Than Paper Out There,
by Bill Myers

World War II Remembered is an extensive reference for World War II
numismatic items, but there is information missing about World War II
coins. I have been working on an update for the coin listings that will
hopefully appear in the new edition. The Gram will periodically feature
one country at a time - either a new listing or revision of the current
listing. The listings are an addition to the current book and they will
not duplicate the information already in the book. I believe the coins
can be a nice addition to a World War II numismatic collection.

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The bust of King Zog I appeared on the obverse of Albanian coins until
the Italian occupation. Zog was replaced by a bust of Vittorio Emanuele
III, with and without a helmet. The bust is surrounded by VITT EM. III RE
E IMP. MBRET E PER. The reverse of the 0.05 and 0.10 lek coins feature an
oak branch and olive branch respectively. The reverse of the 0.20 lek and
higher denominations features a double-headed eagle with fasces to the
outside of the eagle. All coins were minted in Rome and have the R
mintmark. The 0.05 and 0.10 lek are composed of aluminum bronze. The
0.20, 0.50, 1, and 2 are composed of stainless steel and the 1939 issues

come in magnetic and non-magnetic varieties. The 5 and 10 lek are composed of silver.

The coins are generally available and at reasonable prices, especially in circulated condition. A complete set is not possible as 0.05 lek 1941R, 1 & 2 lek 1940R and 1941R are rare as very few were released. As expected the silver coins are more expensive.

lek description mintage
0.05 19 mm aluminum bronze,

Vittorio Emanuele III profile right;

rx. oak leaf and acorns

a. 1940R 1,400,000

b. 1941R 200,000
0.1 22 mm aluminum bronze,

Vittorio Emanuele III profile left;

rev. olive branch

a. 1940R 550,000

b. 1941R 250,000
0.2 21 mm stainless steel,

helmeted Vittorio Emanuele III profile right;

rx. two headed eagle

with fasces and ax on right and left

a1.1939R magnetic 900,000

a2. 1939R non-magnetic incl. above

b. 1940R 700,000

c.1941R 1,400,000
0.5 23 mm stainless steel,

helmeted Vittorio Emanuele III profile left;

rx two headed eagle with

fasces and ax on right and left

a1.1939R magnetic 100,000

a2. 1939R non-magnetic incl. above

b. 1940R 500,000

c. 1941R unknown
1 26 mm stainless steel,

helmeted Vittorio Emanuele III profile right;

rx two headed eagle with

fasces and ax on right and left

a1.1939R magnetic 2,100,000

a2. 1939R non-magnetic incl. above

b. 1940R 1,500,000

c. 1941R 1,000,000
2 29 mm stainless steel,

helmeted Vittorio Emanuele III profile left;

rx two headed eagle with

fasces and ax on right and left

a1.1939R magnetic 1,300,000

a2. 1939R non-magnetic incl. above

b. 1940R rare

c. 1941R rare
5 23 mm silver 5 gm 0.835,

Vittorio Emanuele III profile left;

rx two headed eagle with

fasces and ax on right and left

1939R 1,350,000
10 27 mm silver 10 gm 0.835,

Vittotio Emanuele III profile right;

rx two headed eagle with
fasces and ax on right and left
1939R 175,000

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Charles Vyner Brooke is on a emergency note of what colony?

Answer next time.

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The George Thomas collection was sold by NASCA (now R. Smythe). This collection was strong for what country?

Answer:
France (and French colonies)
The Myers

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EDITORIAL

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There will probably be a little flack on the coin report(s) from some of our readers, but if you think about it, there was a need for small change and not always in paper form. I like the idea of expanding Remembered to include more coins

and I think Bill Myers is doing a nice job of research and I look forward to seeing more of his articles. In fact there is another one ready and it will publish in the next week or so. Please feel free to comment.

Danny Spungen sent in information on a newspaper article on Hans Walter. We cannot just copy it over for copyright reasons, but I am sure you can go to the website of the Independent Collegian which is the University of

Toledo newspaper and look for the date of 19 April 20120. There are some nice photos of Hans to go along with his appearance at a tennis match and, of course, the story and notes we are all familiar with.

Harold Kroll sent in a scan of a recent find and if you go to the website you can see the mis-cut piece of AMC. Harold did not say how he came upon this note (can we assume eBay?) but it is interesting and, paraphrasing

Fred, it is a significant find. It also makes you wonder where the corresponding mis-cut note is and if the whole sheet was cut incorrectly.

Regarding David Klinger's letter, I always thought VE day was celebrated on 8 May. On 7 May Field Marshal Jodl signed an unconditional surrender at Eisenhower's headquarters in Rheims, France and the next day, the 8th, VE day was celebrated in the US and western Europe. Perhaps the (British?) commonwealth nations like the 5th instead.

Colin Bruce has sent in a listing of Bernhard notes he has for sale; the are listed below.

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Dear Editor,
As for Fest XII dates, I would prefer April 1-3, April 15-17 (Palm Sunday), or May 6-8 (Mother's Day). March 25-27 would conflict with Louise's professional conference again.
Joe Boling

Dear Editor,
I just met this individual, Tim Robbins, at the recent Central States show; I knew him slightly before, and he's really interested in possibly coming to Fest. An ideal person for receiving Gram, so please enter his subscription!
And a quick endorsement of the April 15-17 dates for Fest if it is to be in April- simply no other choice!
Neil Shafer

Dear Editor,
I believe the May [you mean March I'm sure] 25-27 dates are the best for next year as that gives 2 weeks between the other major shows. Myself, any date is fine, but I believe those that go to Chicago and/or plan on attending Maastricht need some time to recover/relax before Fest XII & their other commitments. Anyone else?
22 Steve Swoish 22

Dear Editor,
My choices for Fest XII are:
1st choice April 15-17
2nd choice April 1-3
3rd choice Mar 25-27
However the Fest is so much fun I would attend any day of the year.
Dave Frank

Dear Editor,

This week America, much of Europe, and members of the commonwealth of nations will quietly celebrate the 65th anniversary of VE Day. That was the day -- May 5, 1945 -- when the war in Europe was over. Here in San Diego we celebrate the same date as Cincode Mayo (Spanish for "fifth of May")

> >David Klinger

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VE Day as declared by General Eisenhower in 1945

Banzai Notes,
by Andrew Keene
(Originally in Gram 1924)

In regard to BANZAI overprints.

To start, there are two noted varieties of the BANZAI overprint: one a vertical format with the Japanese characters for BANZAI with the English below it. The second being a horizontal format with just the English word "BANZAI."

The vertical format ones do not show up on the market often (if ever). These I believe to have been around since at least the 1950's (possibly before). I have a few of these pieces all of which have the JAPWANCAP overprint over the BANZAI (this gives us some time frame)- all from people who have had them for decades. The purpose of these overprints- that's another issue. I have no credible information as to actual use of these notes other than fantasies and/or souvenir pieces. The word BANZAI means 10,000 years (Joe- is this right?) and the word itself has been used in my modern day applications. Put the word in to wikipedia, you should get a number of things named BANZAI (restaurants, game shows, and more).

Now for the horizontal format pieces. A few oldtime collections I have seen have had these BANZAI notes- however that doesn't mean they weren't made 30 years ago (or less). Unlike the vertical formatted pieces, I have never found one overprinted by JAPWANCAP. Unfortunately the ones surfacing on eBay from "dealers" in IloIlo, Philippines have killed any chance of distinguishing "originals" from the modern made pieces. Both were applied by rubber stamp, colors the same, same types of notes. Both formats are pictured in WW2 Remembered. The horizontal format is to the right of the page and the overprint is faint but is there. Which means pieces like these have been known for some while.

In my upcoming book on JIM notes, these are listed under fantasies. And that's about all we can deem them based on the little knowledge we have on them.

Andrew Keene

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[Editor's note: In the last Gram, the layout of Bill's report made it difficult to read, so we will give it another try in a different format.]

There Is More Than Paper Out There,
by Bill Myers

World War II Remembered is an extensive reference for World War II numismatic items, but there is information missing about World War II coins. I have been working on an update for the coin listings that will hopefully appear in the new edition. The Gram will periodically feature one country at a time - either a new listing or revision of the current listing. The listings are an addition to the current book and they will not duplicate the information already in the book. I believe the coins can be a nice addition to a World War II numismatic collection.

ALBANIA COINAGE

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The bust of King Zog I appeared on the obverse of Albanian coins until the Italian occupation. Zog was replaced by a bust of Vittorio Emanuele III, with and without a helmet. The bust is surrounded by VITT EM. III RE E IMP. MBRET E PER. The reverse of the 0.05 and 0.10 lek coins feature an oak branch and olive branch respectively. The reverse of the 0.20 lek and higher denominations features a double-headed eagle with fasces to the outside of the eagle. All coins were minted in Rome and have the R mintmark. The 0.05 and 0.10 lek are composed of aluminum bronze. The 0.20, 0.50, 1, and 2 are composed of stainless steel and the 1939 issues come in magnetic and non-magnetic varieties. The 5 and 10 lek are composed of silver.

The coins are generally available and at reasonable prices, especially in circulated condition. A complete set is not possible as 0.05 lek 1941R, 1 & 2 lek 1940R and 1941R are rare as very few were released. As expected the silver coins are more expensive.

lek	description	mintage
0.05	19 mm aluminum bronze, Vittorio Emanuele III profile right; rx. oak leaf and acorns	
	a. 1940R	1,400,000
	b. 1941R	200,000
0.1	22 mm aluminum bronze, Vittorio Emanuele III profile left; rev. olive branch	
	a. 1940R	550,000
	b. 1941R	250,000
0.2	21 mm stainless steel, helmeted Vittorio Emanuele III profile right; rx. two headed eagle with fasces and ax on right and left	
	a1.1939R magnetic	900,000
	a2. 1939R non-magnetic	incl. above
	b. 1940R	700,000
	c.1941R	1,400,000
0.5	23 mm stainless steel, helmeted Vittorio Emanuele III profile left; rx two headed eagle with fasces and ax on right and left	
	a1.1939R magnetic	100,000
	a2. 1939R non-magnetic	incl. above
	b. 1940R	500,000
	c. 1941R	unknown
1	26 mm stainless steel, helmeted Vittorio Emanuele III profile right; rx two headed eagle with fasces and ax on right and left	
	a1.1939R magnetic	2,100,000
	a2. 1939R non-magnetic	incl. above

- b. 1940R 1,500,000
- c. 1941R 1,000,000
- 2 29 mm stainless steel,
helmeted Vittorio Emanuele III profile left;
rx two headed eagle with
fasces and ax on right and left
a1.1939R magnetic 1,300,000
a2. 1939R non-magnetic incl. above
b. 1940R rare
c. 1941R rare
- 5 23 mm silver 5 gm 0.835,
Vittorio Emanuele III profile left;
rx two headed eagle with
fasces and ax on right and left
1939R 1,350,000
- 10 27 mm silver 10 gm 0.835,
Vittorio Emanuele III profile right;
rx two headed eagle with
fasces and ax on right and left
1939R 175,000

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How many classes of Reichlotterie tickets were issued?

Answer next time.

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ANSWER TO PREVIOUS QUESTION

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Charles Vyner Brooke is on an emergency note of what colony?

The correct answer of Sarawak was submitted by Steve Jinks, The Myers and Neil Shafer

who added C V Brooke was rajah of Sarawak, appearing on the local 10c notes of 1940 and other notes of that date and back to 1929.

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The year of the Gram feature has been discontinued for two reasons. First, there didn't seem to be any interest (and that's okay) and second, and more importantly, it became very difficult to find war or military related issues for specific years during the twenties. Perhaps we can pick it up again as we get closer to the World War II time period. I'll leave it up to our readers.

David Klinger sent in information on a one dollar Seaman's Overseas Service note, and having bid as high as he was going to, advised readers "to have at it"

You can view the note on eBay; the item number is 260597064152. The current bid is \$494.09. Remembered on page 412 lists the three denominations

and values them at \$300 in efine. The note offered from a South Korean dealer is graded, by him, at VF. It has a noticeable edge tear at the top of the centerfold

and the damage goes into the design. I can recall only one other time that I have seen an SOS note offered, also a dollar issue, and that was in June of 2005; that example sold for \$525 and I do not recall the grade.

I have never seen, either in person or offered for sale, any five or ten dollar examples. I know a ten must exist because it is pictured in the book. Personally this is a very desirable note in any denomination, but the condition in this case, especially the damage, persuades me to pass. I have seen one example of the note in person and I would grade it better than VF,

but the asking price is a little to rich for my budget. If you are interested auction closes in a couple of days and I will be curious to see what the final price will be.

We have received a number of responses for Fest XII dates and I expect there will be a decision soon. I can say with assurance that Easter weekend is out.

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Dear Editor,

This auction house has many interesting photographs! This is just one of them for the current one.

<http://www.tonelli-auction-and-collectibles.com/detail.asp?id=14765&bigpic=0#img>

The Master Sergeant Daniel

Dear Editor,

My report of VE day on 5 May 1945 was based on a press release I came across.

I guess I was wrong, although it's possible that different countries celebrate it on different dates.

The following link shows the actual German instrument of surrender, signed on 7 May 1945.

http://upload.wikimedia.org/wikipedia/commons/1/11/German_instrument_of_surrender2.jpg

David Klinger

MORE DATE CHOICES FOR FEST XII:

My choice for next years Fest is 1st Apr 1-3, 2nd Mar 25-27, 3rd Apr 15-17

Also I would like to say that I had another great time at Fest again.

Thanks

to Fred especially and to Harold, Larry and the rest of the Bn staff for all the

hard work they do to make a great Fest every year. Also if you get an email

from Holiday Inn Express about a survey or comments about your stay, make sure you fill it out, so Kim and her great staff can get acknowledgment from

their HQ's.

Robert Drew

I vote for May 6-8 for the fest as the USN Cod opens May 1 and we can go see it but any date in April is OK with me.

Bill Myers

We vote the latest date May 6-8.

John Cheney & Laura Guentensberger

Mar 18-20 is out because of our local show in Fort Wayne..

The next 2 weeks are OK.

I would like a decision soon because I am thinking of hosting a CSNS Seminar in Fort Wayne in Mar or April.

George Fitzgerald

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2. April 15-17 (Palm Sunday)

3 Mother's Day weekend

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Series 11, No. 1929 Monday, May 10th, 2010

The Emergency Money Collector
VOL. II NO. 3 Fall 1953,
by Warner Talso

Arlie notes that West Virginia is suffering a heat wave. Temperatures up to 102 Degrees F. This makes working very hard and he has reduced this issue to 20 pages.

The feature article is Interest Bearing Paper Money of the United States by Arlie Slabaugh. This seven page article covers colonial notes, USG issues, CSA issues, state, county and city issues, and private issues (by loan companies and railroads). He mentions depression scrip and says that is a whole area of interest of its own.

Chapter V of Russian Emergency Paper Money by Vladimar M. Oushkoff is presented. This chapter discusses the issues of Central Asia. This region is remarkable for the number of issues and the use of silk instead of paper. Also, text is often in Arabic, rather than Russian. The author notes an interesting problem around 1921. At the time, notes were hand printed using engraved wooden plates. This is a slow process. A period of wild inflation ensued and printers could not keep up with quality printing. The result was smeared, partially printed notes that were barely readable. In 1922, a printer was hired to use lithography in the printing of currency.

Semirechye is a remote region on the Chinese border. Their currency was backed by opium stored in the State Bank vaults. The British troops in Afghan Territory helped the Transcaspian Government by providing them with 500 roubles notes. These are but a few examples of wide variety of interesting features of emergency currency in this region during the early 1900s. The author promises more in the next issue of this publication. (However, see below.)

An article, Some Emergency Issues of the Bank of France, by Arlie Slabaugh, discusses notes issued by the Bank of France (founded in 1800) through WWI.

Arlie offers for sale the local emergency scrip issued in Boise Idaho during WWII. During the penny shortage, these one cent small square scrip were printed. Now scarce, Arlie offers them for sale at 2 for 25 cents.

Arlie lists his books, Emergency Monies of the World, 1914-1924 and The German Inflation, that are for sale: The man certainly was a prolific writer.

Alas, this is the last issue of this publication. Arlie alludes to the next issue. He apparently had no plans, at that time, to discontinue publication. I wonder what happened.

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CHAMPIONSHIP QUESTION CORNER

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What series of bonds were sold during World War II? And what was the highest denomination available?

Answer next time.

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ANSWER TO PREVIOUS QUESTION

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How many classes of Reichlotterie tickets were issued?

The correct answer of five (5) was submitted by The Myers, Harold Kroll and Adolf None.

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EDITORIAL

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Tomorrow morning the bride and I take off for a couple of days of antiquing in Massachusetts. Those in the northeast may be familiar with the Town of Brimfield where, three times a years, a larger number of antique dealers gather to sell their wares. The whole town is shut down and the road is close so seekers of rarities and great old stuff (okay, a lot of it is junk) can walk through field after field looking for treasure. The selection is eclectic and you never know what

you might find. In addition to the furniture, kitchen items, old bottles, etc there are quite a number of closed cases containing those small sized items which would be too tempting to leave out on a table. I have been lucky in the past finding the odd coin or token and even some World War II and Viet Nam era notes. I've also come up with war bond related matchbooks, post cards and a number of other military related items. Hopefully we have a little bit of luck and find a few things that just have to become part of the collection. Perhaps there is a unique note or coin out there. A report on our findings (or lack thereof) will be forthcoming in Gram 1930.

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Dear Editor,
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In response to Andrew, "10,000 years" is one of a few possible literal translations for "banzai." In practice, it means just "huzzah" or "hooray." In today's military vernacular, "hooah!"
Joe Boling

Dear Editor,
When I was done with my show and tell at the Fest I was asked to send you a digital picture of the Vietnam Wooden Nickel that I showed. Someone was supposed to be able to identify it via the Gram.
I sent the picture but haven't heard anything more. Did you get it did this individual ID it?
Thanks,
John Watta.
[John's question/letter was part of the infamous Gram 1924 which, as we now know, is somewhere in lost land. Go to the website where the Nickel is pictured. A free subscription extension to anyone who can answer the question - Ed.]

Dear Editor, For me the later the date of the Fest the better, except that Mother's day is not good for me either.
Steve Feller

Dear Editor,
Please add Brett Peppler to our list:
brettpeppler@gmail.com
Thanks a heap!
Neil Shafer

Dear Editor,
Go to the link to see photos of World War II Okinawa
<http://www.tonelli-auction-and-collectibles.com/detail.asp?id=15132>

This auction house has many interesting photographs! This is just one of them for the current one.

<http://www.tonelli-auction-and-collectibles.com/detail.asp?id=14765&bigpic=0#img>

The Master Sergeant Daniel

Dear Editor,

I am writing this short note to inform everyone that the weekend of April 22-23-24, 2011 is not an option. This is the weekend that we host the annual Chili Cook Off. Sorry about the late notice.

Kim Bartish

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Coins of World War II:
Argentina,
By Bill Myers

Argentina remained neutral during most of the war, despite pressure from its citizens to join the Allies. Along with Chile, Argentina refused to break diplomatic ties with the Axis powers after the January 1942 meeting of the Western Hemisphere Republics in Rio de Janeiro, which recommended all countries break diplomatic relations with the Axis. The United States viewed Argentinas relations with the Axis powers to mean it was pro-Nazi. The Argentine military government utilized the war to their economic benefit by providing supplies and agricultural products to both sides, but as the war progressed it lost its European markets. Due to Argentinas support of the Axis and its being the primary Axis intelligence base in the Americas during 1942-1945, the United States instituted a trade embargo against Argentina. Because of the embargo and international pressure Argentina broke diplomatic ties with Japan and Germany on 26 March 1945. Nearly 4,000

Argentinean volunteers fought on the side of the Allies, 750 of them with the British, South African, Canadian and Free French Air Forces. Many of them belonged to the [HYPERLINK](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/No._164_Squadron_RAF)

"http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/No._164_Squadron_RAF" \o "No. 164 Squadron RAF" 164th Argentine-British RAF Squadron. Their motto was FirmesVolamos (Determined We Fly).

There was no change in paper money issues during the war.

COINAGE OF ARGENTINA

The 5, 10 and 20 centavos coins bore new designs and were now minted in aluminum-bronze instead of copper-nickel, as nickel was a critical metal for war materiel. The economic prosperity created by increased exports necessitated that a new coin denomination be created and the 50 centavos was minted in 1941.

centavos description mintage
5 17.5 mm aluminum-bronze, wheat & cow,
denom; rx. right

facing bust of liberty, date

a.1942 2,130,000

b.1943 15,778,000

c.1944 21,081,000

d.1945 21,060,000
10 19.5 mm as above

a.1942 15,541,000

b.1943 13,916,000

c.1944 16,411,000

d.1945 12,500,000
20 21.3 mm as above

a.1942 10,255,000

b.1943 13,755,000

c.1944 12,225,000

d.1945 13,340,000
50 24.4 mm nickel, left facing bust of liberty,
date; rx. denom, wreath

1941 1,000,000

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Answer next time.

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ANSWER TO PREVIOUS QUESTION

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What series of bonds were sold during World War II? And what was the highest denomination available?

Answer:

There were defense and war bonds, there was series E with \$1000 as the highest denomination,

and series F & G with \$10,000 as the highest denomination.

The Myers

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EDITORIAL

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Joe is right, the next edition of Remembered needs some values recalculated. This again brings up the what is it worth question, but this

time it is a little different. There was a history behind the Fanning Island notes as Mel Steinberg pointed out, but I can't say there is a history

behind the the Seaman's Overseas Service notes. There were the values attributed in the first edition and a \$525 selling price back in 2005.

Now this note

sells for over \$775. This in my opinion is a little high for the grade, but who I am to say. How many notes are out there and how many are available?

All of this information will factor into determining a note's worth. I did mention there is a note available and it belongs to one of our subscribers. I will let him write in if he wishes with the grade and the asking price. Even with three prices can we estimate what the note would or should be worth, or are we in a position to say only what one bidder was willing to pay for it?

Now for out little trip in search of antiques. From a numismatic point of view, there were lots of coins, mostly circulated silver, and very few notes. We did

see some examples of North Africa and Hawaii dollar issues, but they were well worn. Two of the dealers had some old German pre-war issues but that was about it. Three other items are worth mentioning: First I found a very nice example of a Japanese Medal from the Russo-Japanese war of the early twentieth century. I was in what appeared to be the original box but the asking price of \$100 was more than I was willing to pay

and there was no "wiggle room". It could very well be worth the price, but I had no information with which to make a decision. Next was the uniform dress jacket of an Army 2nd Lieutenant which

bore a set a bombardier wings and the shoulder patch of the China/Burma campaign. When I looked at the ribbons I noted a silver star, a bronze star and

the Campaign Ribbon for the Africa/Europe/Middle East. Obviously the seller's knowledge of history is somewhat lacking. Lastly there were two pinbacks,

or tinnies, that caught my eye. I had first passed on them because of the price, but later went back and did a little negotiating and got them both very reasonably.

Both are on the Remember Pearl Harbor theme and I have scanned images to the website.

Oh, in case you are wondering, my wife found a number of things that just had to come home with us. They are cool also, but I don't think you want a detailed report.

We could also use an update to our Show Calendar

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Dear Editor,

Well, the SOS note sold for \$787.77 on 25 bids from eight bidders - I guess we need to plus-up the SB values next edition.

Joe Boling

And from David Klinger

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Dear Editor,

The May issue of Coin World has a 4 page illustrated article on Short Snoters by Michele Orzano. Information about the web site (www.shortsnoter.org), and the Short Snoter Project.

John K. Kallman

Dear Editor,

I am in the process of updating the Standard Reference Guide to Indian Paper Money jointly with Mr. KishoreJhunjhunwala. We are yet to see an image of any Bikaner POW Coupon.

I would be obliged if you could kindly send us a scan of the Bikaner coupon if it is available with you.

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Thanks, Dan & Kathy Freeland

[The 2011 list of donors is posted below - Ed.]

Dear Editor,

I was just wondering if anyone knew the status of the Nashville Expo. Is it still on?

Steve Swoish

[The Nashville Expo is not listed in the Gram Calendar - anyone out there able to answer Steve? - Ed.]

Dear Editor,

The CICF is not on the calendar and it is on during the Palm Sunday weekend. I will be flying out and back to the Sacramento ANA. To give me time to unpack and repack, I would like to see the next Fest on April Fool's weekend. This would allow me to also attend Michigan State the next weekend. Who do I contact in Michigan State to set up an IBNS/NI/MPC Fest club booth?

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TWIRR #49

By Fred Schwan

Festing is hard work! I certainly had a great time and am happy to hear and read that everyone else seems to have had the same. I must start out with some apologies and extra kudos. At the Saturday awards I failed to adequately recognize several people. In sort of chronological order, Jim Aitken and Al Glaser both worked their buns off on the advanced party. The advanced party is getting so good at its task that all of the stuff from the Fest warehouse shows up before I even know that the guys have started. Doug Bell did a great job on the bowling party AND on the pay books. It seems like I had someone else on my makeup list. Possibly later I will have to do a makeup makeup.

The big question of course is the date for next year, Fest XII. As much as I liked the April date this year, it looks to me that because of the conflicts, we will have to go back into March. Specifically the March 25 weekend. This is one last opportunity for shouts of conflicts before we lock in that weekend.

The day after I checked out of the hotel, I received a call from general manager Kim that I had left a book in my room. Imagine that forgetting a book. Me? I went right out. It seemed like home. Kim and I had a coffee and reminisced. When she gave me the forgotten book, I laughed a little to myself, but thanked her very much for the extra vigilance. The forgotten book was an auction catalog that I had tossed. I remember specifically pondering what to do with the catalog. I decided that I just must toss some of the catalogs that come in instead of starting new piles. In this case it was even a quite old catalog that should not have even been in the room. It must have been kicking around in my car for a few years then moved into the room by mistake when I unloaded the car. It could even be that the efficient advance party mentioned above unloaded the car and assumed that I wanted it brought in. It must have been fate. Before tossing the catalog for the second time, I leafed through it. The whole affair must have been fate. Lot 8979 is titled Extremely Rare North Africa \$10 Error. Cool. Here is the lot description:

"\$10 Fr.2309. silver Certificate. 1934A. North Africa. Shifted third printing error. Fine-15 (PMG). Light, even soiling as expected for the grade, with some minor stains on the upper back side. Decent ink tones. A very rare error note. All errors are scarce on North Africa notes, but this one we do not recall having ever handled before. In fact, only two other examples of this error on North Africa notes are known to us, a \$5 note graded Gem that appeared in Lyn Knight's June 1998 Memphis Sale, lot 77, and another \$5 example in lower grade. The present note is the only \$10 we are aware of. Here, the gold Treasury seal of the third printing is shifted well to the left of its proper position, and is situated over half way into Hamilton's portrait vignette. Having been printed in 12-

subject sheets, there would have been 11 others printed, but considering the wear of this note they likely all circulated, and perhaps the others' life spans were exhausted before being noticed. a very rare piece, and a prize for the small-size error collector."

This is a really cool note and a nice job of cataloging by Stacks. It was in the Entlich, White Oak, Cross and St. Andre Collections sale. I think that it was from 2009, but I am not sure because in line with the theory described above about getting rid of old catalogs, I do not have the entire book. I tore the page from the catalog. I am very happy that I found this great listing. I am also happy that I did not notice this item at the time of the sale because I would have wanted to buy it.

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What wartime Philippine coin has an ove-rpunchedmintmark? (I should ask the Myers to disqualify themselves on this one)

Answer next time.

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ANSWER TO PREVIOUS QUESTION

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How does Karukera fit into our studies?

He is a local hero in Guadeloupe and appears on the 1000 francs note. The Myers

With respect to your latest question on Karukera, this is of course the image we see on the two 1000-franc notes from Guadeloupe as listed in Remembered. But I was wondering what kind of individual this so-called "Chief" was, so I looked him up on the Internet- only to be much more puzzled than anything else. It seems that Guadeloupe was first populated by Arawak Amerindians about 300 BCE, then by Caribs who finished replacing them in about the 8th century. It was the Caribs who renamed the country "Karukera" which is supposed to mean "Island of the Beautiful Waters." Nothing further is said about such an individual, if he even existed. So I am at a loss to explain who is on the notes (and earlier coins as well). Maybe it is only supposed to be a representation of the Caribs?? Can anyone help?

Neil Shafer

The French territory of Guadeloupe, was once known to its Carib Indian population as "karukera".

> >Remembered covers the WWII issues for Guadeloupe by both the free French and the Vichy French (pp 142, 745).

> >David Klinger

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EDITORIAL

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First of all the Nashville Whitman show is on and dealer Tom Denly says it is going to be a good one. This is an event I have never attended and would make the trip if not for prior commitments. I will certainly make an attempt next year and I will also try to make Central States. I would expect (and appreciate) at least one of our subscribers to send in a report.

From the responses and suggestions as to the dates for FEST XII, I seems, as Fred has indicated in his TWIRR, that the March dates avoid all the conflicts.

That date was also the most suggested, and most of us would agree that the FEST is one gathering we all look forward to whenever it is held.

Comments

are still welcome and, as far as I am aware, nothing is "set in stone" as of yet.

I looked up the replacement that Danny Straessle mentions in his letter below. It sold for \$120 plus five bucks or so shipping. I can't really comment on the price but I think the grade of Very Good was somewhat generous in my opinion, but if you collect replacements and you need that particular one for the collection you should do as Leo May once told me: buy what you can afford, at least you will have the note and look to upgrade later.

We also have a letter from Steve Swoish on the SOS note recently sold on eBay. In addition I received a comment from someone who wishes to remain anonymous who indicated that was additional background on the note and on the low price realized. So again we have a difference of opinion as to value.

Finally, with thanks to Andrew Keene, we have two images of Series CS bonds which were issued at the Central States Show. In the letter Andrew sent

with the copies he indicated that the word "redeemable" was intentionally misspelled and I can only assume it was an anti-counterfeiting device.

The

501 Milwaukee Bucks denomination is also curious and Neil Shafer's signature as a "Milwaukee Resident" was just too cool! Nice job.

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Dear Editor,

I have notice of late the fractionals of Series 651 have dropped in value, the 5 cent through the 50 cent. I know a large hoard of 50 cent notes was auctioned by Heritage some years ago but have the other denominations become more available from hoards.
William Choate

Dear MPC Gram

Thank you for sending me the MPC Gram. Although, I'm officially trying to sell my collection of Coins, Banknotes, etc., I maintain my interest in 'most everything numismatic.

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US Military Chits, Tokens, POGS, etc. Last year I donated a rare Canteen token for Ft. Monroe to their Casemate Museum. It was bronze, incuse, and was good for a 5 Cents Mug of Beer.

Additionally, as I've collected world coins, etc., I've also got military chits, tokens, coins and banknotes from many countries. There are a few more interesting chits in my collection which were issued for war correspondents in both India and in U of SA during WWII. Please direct me to how I may inform collectors in your group that I've got these for sale. And, of course, there are the numerous Guerrilla notes used in PI during the Japanese Occupation ... and for the collector who likes the various counter-stamps used on some of those notes after the war ... I've got a variety of those, too. Thanks.

Sincerely, Bob Butler

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Dear Editor,

I went to a yard sale and picked up some postcards. They are not directly numismatic but they had a military connection. Three of them feature paintings of scenes of U-Boats attacking ships and are date June 1917 so not connected to WW II. The others are black and white pictures of places in Europe. They include Hohenschwangau Castle, Zugspitze, Herrenchiemsee (2 different), Berchetsgaden, Slazburg, The Predigtstuhbahn and Partenkirchen. The military connection on the lower left corner of the back of each postcard is printed 3rd US ARMY TOURS. That is all that is printed on them. They are not numbered and there is no printer listed.

I have been unable to find out anything about them. The 3rd Army left Germany in 1947 so I assume they were printed between 1945 and 1947. I also assume they were given to the soldiers to send home, maybe from the MWR if there was such a thing then. Has anyone seen or heard of these? And yes Fred, I bought them all.
Bill Myers

Dear Editor;

I have a question I'm sure someone here can answer, as to the value of a replacement that sold on eBay May 1st (item # 280500469095). The note in question is a pretty scarce series #641 3rd printing \$1.00 note, serial #J01170316, pos #7, listed as 'very good' by the seller. I have the older 1997 MPC Catalog and it doesn't have any 2nd or 3rd printings listed in the Replacement Summary and I have no idea where you might find a true valuation. BTW, the note sold within 3 hours of listing with a BIN/Best Offer.

Danny Straessle

a.k.a. oklahomadanny@juno.com

Dear Editor,

O.K. The Whitman Coin & Collectibles Nashville Expo, the full name. Is this going to happen on the dates of May 20-22?

Steve Swoish

Dear Editor,

Nashville is still on. Confirmed with David Crenshaw about 15 minutes ago. (1215 hours, 13 May 10).

You and the other MPC members may wish to visit my calendar website on the Waco Coin Club site. Go to www.wacocoinclub.com, click on Paul's Coin Show Calendar and enjoy. Feel free to show it on the MPC Site. Please check the site out and give me some feedback. There is no charge at the present time for listings.

Paul Garner

Dear Editor,

I will have table #316 at the Nashville Show. I have had no notification of a cancellation. My son lives in Nashville and tells me that the Convention Center is not flooded.

Mike Crabb

Dear Editor,

The Nashville show is on and going to be a damn good show. They have opened the Grand Old Opry and parts of the park are running now with more each day. I will bring my MPC stock to my table for any one who wants to look.

Tom Denly

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Dear Editor, Superb background on Argentina - WW II. If one looks up Germany X#Pn 21 and Pn 22 in "Unusual World Coins" I have illustrated gold Hitler head 20 and 100 RM coins that rumor has it were struck in BuenosAires in 1959. Very few have surfaced to my knowledge here in the states - or anywhere else.

As for Germany listings in SB I have suggested that a couple of the silver Hitler head medals that were sold through the banks in Germany be listed as they were most likely fund raisers. Photos have been submitted for two distinct types already.

Cheers,
Colin Bruce

Dear Editor,

Some time back you asked about Dr. Arnold Keller, whether he was the one going into the IBNS Hall of Fame. Yes, he is the one. He pioneered the collecting of Notgeld through the First World War and into the 1920s. He once claimed to have 125,000 different Notgeld pieces, saying he was "only 50,000 away from being complete!"

His magazine, DasNotgeld, was being published during some of the worst time of inflation in Germany, and he was the one who prepared a gigantic catalog manuscript of world notes almost bought by Whitman (in Racine, WI at the time). Eventually it was purchased by Ruth Hill in St. Louis, and through her efforts a few sections of the Keller manuscript were published under the aegis of the IBNS. These green notebook-cover sections are still found occasionally today. I had some correspondence with him about the catalog and other things. He died in 1972 I believe it was.

Neil Shafer

Dear Gram,

The SOS note I believe was bought a little high, but then again, how many are there? That was a big factor on my bidding as well as a couple other festers I believe. The question I have, does anyone know who the winning bidder was?

Steve Swoish

Dear Editor,

There's additional background that only two people understand on the low price realized on the SOS note.

Anonymous

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Steve

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David Seelye

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EDITOR'S NOTE: We continue to catch up after the meltdown. Gram 1933, which will go out tomorrow, will be the last one before we start new Grams on Monday. It's Memorial Day Weekend, so be sure to wear your red Buddy Poppie in honor of the troops. I know this is a stretch numismatically and I will take the heat for it, but David Klinger sent in a letter about World War II US Navy veteran John Finn (100 years old) who was awarded the Medal of

Honor for his actions at Pearl Harbor on December 7th. Do a search; he was a very interesting man.

Series 11, No. 1932 Monday, May 17th, 2010

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

New Canadian Book Released

World War II finance and the various issues available for collectors are a little-known, but growing, area of interest for collectors. For Canada and Newfoundland a new book helps collectors with what the authors rightly call a very complex group of issues.

Canada issued war savings certificates (in many varieties), war bonds, and victory loan bonds. Furthermore, nine separate loan drives were held. Each drive had a unique issue of Victory Loan Bonds and these bonds could be bearer or registered instruments!

The Canadian War Savings Certificates are equally complex. They had two major conditions of issue, two different printers, three major design types and many varieties and sub-varieties. The certificates were supplemented with the sale of war savings stamps.

Newfoundland War Savings Certificates were issued in \$3, \$6, \$12, \$30 and \$60 denominations. While these denominations sound strange, they allowed for more convenient purchase prices (\$2.50, \$5, \$10, \$25, and \$50)! These certificates are replete with two signature varieties and several paper varieties.

Newfoundland issued war bonds. This had not previously been reported in any numismatic source. A bond prospectus illustrated in the book proves that they were issued, but no bonds have been reported in collection according to the authors. Many of the Canadian War and Victory Bonds listed are also not reported in any collection leaving many research opportunities for collectors.

The book is full color throughout with more than 220 images in forty-eight pages of the many interesting numismatic emissions and related items. The book is by Dick Dunn (Ontario), Dan Freeland (Michigan), and Harold Kroll (Alabama). All three are serious collectors of this material.

There is something for just about every collector--plenty to read and study and a stunning array of images. Furthermore every single page has information that has never before been published and even information that has previously been published (1995) is updated with new material. Two forewords are included that provide insights from two very different perspectives. Paul Berry, Chief Curator, Currency Museum, Bank of Canada, speaks from the view of his professional position. Among many other things, he points out that building a collection of Canadian World War II bonds because of the variety of issues and the complexity of the series is a very challenging task.

Joe Boling is a governor of the American Numismatic Association and past president of the International Bank Note Society, Most importantly with respect to this project, he is also author and editor of World War II Remembered which was the first book to list any of the items that are now

listed in the current book. His foreword describes the trials, tribulations, process, and even triumphs of studying and cataloging the various issues in 1993.

The book was released at MPCFest XI on April 17 where all three authors and Joe Boling were present to sign autographs.

The book is available from the publisher at \$16 or \$50 for a collector's edition both postpaid to Canada or the US. The collector's edition includes a basic copy for daily use and a special edition with autographs of all five authors (Dunn, Freeland, Kroll, Berry, and Joe Boling), first day of issue stamp and an actual war bond coupon mounted (non-destructively) on the title page. Contact BNRPress, 132 E. Second Street, Port Clinton, Ohio 43452 or (preferably) fredschwan@yahoo.com (PayPal payment accepted at this address as well).

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What wartime Philippine coin has an over-punched mintmark? (I should ask the Myers to disqualify themselves on this one)

Answer next time.

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ANSWER TO PREVIOUS QUESTION

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No answers to Saturday's question were submitted and I assume The Myers recused themselves.

Come on now, at least of you out there collects Philippine coins and can take a stab at the answer.

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EDITORIAL

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We mentioned the Canadian/Newfoundland book previously in the Gram during our reports on the Fest. My collection of bonds consists primarily of those issued by China and Japan, but in looking through my copy of the book, I may have to expand my interests to include some examples from our neighbor to the north. The book is very well done and I would recommend it.

I expected some additional comments regarding what seems to be the March date for Fest XII. Maybe we all feel the decision has already been made, although I do not know that as I am not involved in the process, but giving it a some thought it seems a logical choice when considering other shows and holidays. I recall Al Glaser once saying he doesn't come to Port Clinton in March for the weather and I think we can all agree on that point. We will

go whenever it is.

I spoke today with a friend just back from eastern Tennessee and he described the flooding and conditions there. I mentioned the Nashville show and although it has stopped raining, conditions are still bad. I just wanted to pass this on to those going to the show, which is still scheduled and from which I would really like a report.

Go to the website to view the four images mentioned in Mail Call by RezwanRazack. If anyone has seen these notes before or can provide any information please write.

We will have another report from Bill Myers on coins for Wednesday's Gram.

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Dear Editor,
The list of exhibit winners for the 2010 Central States Milwaukee Convention has been published. Both present and past Festers were well represented with winning exhibits. Brett Irick won the Best in Show. Other Festers that were winners include Dan Freeland, Wendell Wolka, Nancy Wilson, George Cuhaj, Neil Shafer, and Andrew Keene. Congratulations to all.
Dave Frank

[The two letters below should be self explanatory - Ed.]
Dear Joe,
I own these two coupons of Ramgarh
They measure 115x57mm. and are not listed in any POW catalogue.
You could also have these published.
Regards,
RezwanRazack

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letters or comments please send them in. With Gram 1934 we will start a feature article on MPC and there will be some comments regarding editorial policy. Enjoy the weekend.

Series 11, No. 1933 Thursday, May 19th, 2010

Australian Coins,
by Bill Myers

Australia is well represented in WWII Remembered but research has yielded evidence that coins from the Perth mint need to be included in the book. Australia was on war footing in 1940 when the Perth Mint received a telegram from the Commonwealth Treasury in Canberra. It stated heavy demand for Australian coin and Melbourne Mint working full capacity. Could you undertake minting of copper coins? The Perth Mint was established in 1899 in response to gold deposits being discovered. Gold coins were produced until Britain abandoned the gold standard in 1931 but Perth Mint did produce gold bullion bars. The Perth Mint started producing bronze coins in 1940 and continued after the war. Perth Mint coins can be identified by identified by a dot after penny for the half penny. For the penny there is a dot between the initials KG on the reverse for 1940. The 1941 Perth Mint cent has 2 varieties, one with a dot between the initials KG on the reverse and the other with a dot after penny. For 1942-1945 there is a dot after penny.

The numbering coins is a suggestion and it may appear different in the new edition of the book.

Australia	pg 185	mintage
515	1/2d GVI; rx kangaroo; 26mm	
	a1. 1942I wide date	6,000,009
	a2. 1942I narrow date	incl above
	ap. proof (1965)	
	b. 1943I	6,000,006
	bp. proof (1965)	
	c. 1942(p) dot after penny	4,334,000
	cp. proof	
	dp. 1943(p) proof	
	e1. 1945(p) dot after penny	3,033,000
	e2. 1945(p) without dot after penny	incl above
	ep. 1945(p) proof	
516	1d as 515; 30mm	
	a1. 1942I	9,000,007
	a2. same, missing I mintmark	incl above
	ap. (1965)	
	b1a. 1943I large denticles	9,000,006
	b1b. 1943I small denticles	incl above
	b2. same, missing I mintmark	incl above
	bp. Proof (1965)	
	c. 1940(p) K.G	1,114,000

d1. 1941(p) K.G	12,794,000
d2. 1941(p) dot after penny	incl above
d3. 1941(p) K.G high dot after penny	incl above
dp. 1941(p) proof	
e. 1942(p)	12,245,000
ep. 1942 proof	
f. 1943(p)	33,086,000
fp. 1943 proof	
g. 1944(p)	27,830,000
gp. 1944(p) proof	
h1. 1945(p) with large dot after KG	15,173,000
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What wartime Philippine coin has an over-punched mintmark? (I should ask the Myers to disqualify themselves on this one)

Answer next time.

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ANSWER TO PREVIOUS QUESTION

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No answers to Saturday's question were submitted and I assume The Myers recused themselves.

Come on now, at least of you out there collects Philippine coins and can take a stab at the answer.

Ditto

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EDITORIAL

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Dealer Bill Rosenblum sent in information on his latest auction and we have published the portions dealing with military numismatics. Of course, you can go to the link to see the entire offering.

John Riley received a request from Bob Clark to identify a note and has sent in scans which are posted on the website. The images are a little small and I was not able to make them any larger without distortion. They may very well be Manchukuo as John suggests or Japanese Navy as Bob suggests, but I did not see the note in Remembered nor was I able to find it in Smith Matrauers by looking at the images in the book. I very well could have missed them. Perhaps Joe Boling can make them out and give us the answer.

David Klinger mentions the on-line edition of the Numismatist. When I renewed my ANA membership I opted for the on-line edition and I think it is going to take me a little time to get used to reading it that way. It does take some time to download and it takes practice to go from article to article and back and forth from page to page. I would be interested to hear other comments on this.

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<http://photos.papermoneyworld.net>
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Dear Editor,
On the gram hot contact list, on the papermoneyworld website, the top item is a list of the ANA's MPC holdings. The ANA point of contact is given as Erik Heikkinen. He's no longer there - it should be Douglas Mudd, Mudd@money.org.
Joe Boling

Dear Editor,
I received these images from Bob Clark. Anyone recognize? Colonel Boling will for sure; I'm thinking China/Manchukuo
John Riley
Hello !!
Can you help me with this Japanese note. I know that I have seen it before but can't remember anything about it except I think it has something to do with the navy.
Can you tell me anything about its denomination (1 yen, I think) time frame and if you have any idea of a retail price.
Thanks !!
Bob Clark

Dear Editor,
I was surprised, and pleased when I read my on-line June copy of The Numismatist.
A feature article by Fred Schwan on WWII Production Medals was wonderful (to use his favorite word).
Also our own Warner Talso was featured as June's Numismatist in Action, also wonderful.
All good press for our eclectic corner of the hobby.
David Klinger

Dear Editor,
Our spring Auction 40E closing on 10 June, 2010 is now on-line at <http://rosenblumcoins.com/40e>. The sale contains over 850 lots of mostly numismatic material as well as images of more than 700 of those lots.
HIGHLIGHTS OF SALE 40E

A pair of certified New Zealand 3 Pence coins including the very rare the 1942 1 dot variety and a nice 40 Centavo Puerto Rican coin are also listed.

Our World Paper Money section is small but contains five Palestine Currency Board notes, some high grade Israeli notes as well as Progressive Proofs of the Israeli 1955 1 Pound notes. Also listed are a number of German Konversionkasse bonds, 6 bonds from Litzmannstadt. a couple of rare WWI Russian POW notes and a rare WWII propaganda item meant for soldiers of Italian ancestry fighting for the United States which we haven't offered since the mid-1990's.

William M. Rosenblum

DATES FOR FEST XII

Just in from Headquarters are the dates under consideration for Fest XII. Fest XI having just concluded planning is already underway for the 2011 edition of the Fest. Below are the dates under consideration and those planning

to attend are requested to submit suggestions and opinions on their date of preference. More information is available in the Editorial Section below.

Dates to be considered are:

March 4-6

March 11-13 (CPMX 10 - 13)

March 18-20 (ANA Sacramento 17-20)

March 25-27

April 1-3

April 8-10 (Maastricht & Michigan State)

April 15-17 (Palm Sunday)

April 22-25 (Easter)

April 27-30 (Central States)

May 6-8 (Mother's Day)

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10 Pounds Peppiatt

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David Seelye

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Hi Larry & Roger, I took the list of donors from the auction booklet and added names of people who gave at least \$10 or more to Kathy or myself. Larry, Do you have any names to add to the list.

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Mail checks to: Dan Freeland, PO Box 195, Mayville, MI 48744-0195.

Thanks, Dan & Kathy Freeland

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Calendar 2010

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Show Calendar 2010

52nd Texas Numismatic Association Coin & Currency

May 14-16, 2010

Amon Carter Center, Fort Worth, TX

Info at: www.tna.org

Whitman Coin and Collectibles Nashville Expo

May 20-22, 2010

Nashville Convention Center

Info at: www.whitmanexpo.com

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Long Beach Convention Center

June 3-5, 2010

Auction Heritage Galleries & Currency Auctions America

Info at: www.longbeachexpo.com

International Paper Money Show (IPMS)

June 18-20, 2010

Cook Convention Center East Hall

Exhibits, Meetings,

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Auction Currency Auctions of America

Info at: www.lynnknight.com

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Auction by Bowers and Merena

Info at: www.whitmanexpo.com

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July 8-10, 2010 Orlando, FL Orange County Conv. Center

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Auction Heritage Galleries

Info at: www.funtopics.com

American Numismatic Association (ANA)
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MEMORIAL DAY

Army Scrip Seized,
by Jim Downey

The following is the text of a newspaper article that I ran across concerning the capture of a significant amount of MPC by the North Koreans. The main reason for making the Hawaii overprints and yellow seal notes was so they could be demonetized in the event large quantities of money were captured by the enemy. Considering the conversion to Series 481 took place almost a year after the events in the article, this was apparently not much of a concern with MPC.

KOREAN REDS SEIZE MUCH ARMY SCRIP

Tokyo, July 26 [1950] (U.P.) -- Considerable quantities of U.S. military payment certificates (army scrip) -- possibly as much as \$5,000,000 worth -- were captured in Seoul by North Korean Communist troops, a reliable source said today.

The source said the army probably would change its scrip to guard against the captured certificates being poured into black markets in Europe or Asia by the Communists.

The source said he could not explain why so much scrip was on hand in Seoul, the fallen capital of South Korea, since the only American soldiers there were the small military advisory group.

The scrip is used by American occupation forces in Japan and Germany and the captured certificates might be turned over to the Russians to be put into circulation in either country.

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Belgian Congo Coins,
by Bill Myers

Belgian Congo is covered in detail in the book on page 42. There is an addition to the coin section. There is a one franc coin that needs to be listed. There is a picture on page 42 so I assume it was just an accidental omission. Belgian Congo has been the topic of a Fest question before, it is one of the countries that has an elephant on its currency.

francs	description	mintage
1	as above, 19mm brass	
	a.1944	25,000,000
	b.1946	15,000,000
	c.1949	15,000,000

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CHAMPIONSHIP QUESTION CORNER

Questions for this space from subscribers and always welcome and eagerly solicited.

The only requirement is that you also provide the answer!

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What denominations were added to the United State war bond program after the program started?

Answer next time.

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ANSWER TO PREVIOUS QUESTION

What wartime Philippine coin has an over-punched mintmark?

Answer:

There are actually two right answers to wartime over-punched MMs for the Philippines. The first is the 1944 D/S 20 Centavos which came in three positions, high S, medium S, and low S. The second coins is the 1945 S/S 50 Centavos which I discovered about 12 years ago and is listed in Allen's catalog and recognized by the grading services now.

Ray Czahor

Answer:

The P.I. overdate of the war years is the 1944-D/S twenty centavos!
John Riley

Answer:

In case no one answers it is the 20 centavos 1944 D/S, I cherry picked two varieties of this coin at a coin show, the unattributed ones are out there.
The Myers

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EDITORIAL

Below are a series of letters and exchanges regarding the passing of Medal of Honor winner John Finn. Dave Klinger had submitted a letter on John's passing and your editor, feeling it might be beyond the military numismatics guidelines/policy of the Gram because it dealt with an obituary and not a numismatic item as the primary subject. I did not run the letter but referred to it and in doing so used the word "stretch". I did not preview the letter to Fred or ask him if it was Gram worthy. The first he became aware of it was Dave Klinger's first letter. Now understand that my personal opinion, as I told David, was that it should fit the guidelines because it did mention the Medal of Honor and it would be a fitting piece since it was Memorial Day. Now it seems to be a fine point. Read all the letters and feel free to put in your own comments as Warner did. To me each letter is important. The ones on that "fine line" can be dealt as they come in.

I did mention that the feature article in this Gram was to be about an MPC conversion. That story will run in a few parts starting this week.

Lastly, I am considering changing the format of the Gram somewhat by putting the editorial after Mail Call to be able to comment on not only the news article but also the letters to the editor after our subscribers have read them. Your opinions and comments are solicited.

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Dear Editor,

In James Michener's book, Caribbean, he writes about the peaceful Arawaks and the Cannibalistic Caribs. Seems the Caribs would capture and the rape Arawak women, and then they eat the newborns. Pretty sick!!!

Wonder who their descendants are??

How does Karukera fit into our studies?

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> >He is a local hero in Guadeloupe and appears on the 1000 francs note.

> >The Myers

> >With respect to your latest question on Karukera, this is of course the image we see on the two 1000-franc notes from Guadeloupe as listed in Remembered. But I was wondering what kind of individual this so-called "Chief" was, so I looked him up on the Internet- only to be much more puzzled than anything else. It seems that Guadeloupe was first populated by Arawak Amerindians about 300 BCE, then by Caribs who finished replacing them in about the 8th century. It was the Caribs who renamed the country "Karukera" which is supposed to mean "Island of the Beautiful Waters." Nothing further is said about such an individual, if he even existed. So I am at a loss to explain who is on the notes (and earlier coins as well). Maybe it is only supposed to be a representation of the Caribs?? Can anyone help?

> >Neil Shafer

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Dear Editor,

I think the reason that nobody contacted you about the non-arrival of some of the latest MPC Grams is due to the fact that we thought you were taking a vacation or had other reasons for taking a bit of time off. Having churned out many Eh-Bulletins myself, I know how time consuming these regularly scheduled e-bulletins are to put together. You were certainly entitled to take a well deserved break. I am happy that all is well now and that we are again receiving them as scheduled.

> >John Regitko

> >coinman@look.ca

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> >Dear Editor,I now believe there may be a conflict with CICF and an April weekend, so it may be preferable to hold the Fest the last weekend of March. The first April weekend will run into the pre-Maastricht time and would make it very difficult or impossible to get it all in.

> >Neil Shafer

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> >Dear Editor,

> >I need to get back in the action.

> >I still haven't recovered very much since the "Nigerian nightmare!"

> >I have rebuilt very little of my former directory of contacts.

> >Could you run an ad in the gram to any of my friends who haven't heard from me for a while to jog my memory and sending me their email address I still go to the library and the need to get online at home is becoming a necessity.

> >I'm still actively collecting JIM and VietNam notes by type, block, specimen, etc.

> >I'll be doing my best to get to Memphis this year.

> >I do have some decent notes to barter with (like a Russia 1894 10 ruble. scarce, neat note!)

> >I'm very anxiously looking forward to my first Memphis in several years. I understand a few friends, like Nielson, won't be around, but I'm eager to make new ones.

> >Mike Payton, papermoneymike2@yahoo.com (913)677-0000

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> >Dear Editor,

> >I have been able to i.d. as script issued for the Kure Naval Arsenal in Japan ~ 1920's-30's.

> >Thanks -

> >John Riley

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> >Dear Editor,
> >I saw the note sitting on the website yesterday when I checked to see if Mr. Razack's Indian POW notes had gone up, but I did not know until today that I was needed to ID it. It's a piece of canteen scrip for the Kure Naval Arsenal, c.1905. Yes, it's one yen (denominations were 5, 10, 20, 50 sen, 1 yen, 5 yen - the 5-yen very scarce). It's IBNS 81e in the Ogawa-Kozono book. I can't get the image any larger than 1.25 inches long on my screen, but it looks uncanceled, which is unusual. More canceled pieces than uncanceled are in the market. Apparently, a big group heading for destruction in the early 20th century got diverted into numismatic channels. Value should be about \$75-100 for an uncanceled piece.
> >Joe Boling
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> >Dear Editor:
> >You note that "There was a history behind the Fanning Island notes as Mel Steinberg pointed out ..." If you attended FEST this year you heard a presentation on the history of the Fanning Island note.
> >Warner Talso
> >[Dear Warner, The history I was referring to regarding the Fanning Island note was it's value price history as opposed to the price history, or lack thereof, for the Seaman's Overseas Service note - Ed.]
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> >EDITOR'S NOTE: Here is David's initial letter:
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> >Dear Editor,
>> >> As we all know, we are fast losing our WWII veterans. One such man, and my fellow San Diegan, was John Finn. Today (27 May) he died here in San Diego at the age of 100 years. John was the oldest living recipient of the Medal of Honor. He was decorated for action early on Pearl Harbor Day, thus also becoming the first Medal of Honor recipient of WWII.
>> >>Born in 1909, John joined the Navy in 1926, and, he could transfix anyone who cared to listen with tales of what it was like to grow up during the First World War and to ply the Yangtze River as a young sailor aboard an American gunboat. His stories of that era reminded me of the movie Sand Pebbles.
>> >>In 1937, John was on a Navy ship outside the harbor of Shanghai when the Japanese shelled the city and commenced an invasion of mainland China. As the Japanese continued their conquests in Asia in the late

1930s, John felt that one day America would be attacked. How right he was!

>> >>On 7 December 1941, as a 32 year old Chief Petty Officer, John was stationed at NAS Kaneohe Bay, with a squadron of Navy patrol planes. Rudely roused from bed by the cacophony of the Japanese bombs destroying the fleet anchored at Pearl Harbor, John raced from his quarters, sped to the hangars that housed his aircraft, and manned a .50-caliber machine gun mounted on an exposed section of a parking ramp. For the next two hours, Finn, in the open and suffering from more than twenty shrapnel wounds in his back and stomach, blasted at the attacking enemy planes, hitting many of them and not relinquishing his post until the attack was over. [this from his MOH citation]

>> >>Admiral Nimitz presented the Medal of Honor to John in an emotional ceremony at Pearl Harbor nine months later. He was promoted to LT by the end of the war.

>> >>Even when we were young, those of us who were raised on stirring John Wayne war movies assumed that there was more than a little hyperbole and cinematic license in them. John Finn was also, at times, caught up with his celebrity. But here was a man whose real-life exploits rendered the movies limp, and ineffectual in contrast.

>> >>Not long ago, he was asked what he was doing at the precise moment when the Japanese attacked Pearl Harbor.

>> >>"Truth be told, my boy," John said, "I was in bed with a good-looking gal." He was then asked if he ever saw her again..

>> >>"See her again?" said John. "She was my wife for sixty years!" Then he slapped his knee and bellowed with laughter.

>> >>May John have fair winds, and following seas on his final cruise.

>> >> <http://fastnav.files.wordpress.com/2009/07/john-finn.jpg>

>> >>David Klinger

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> >Dear Editor,

> >Why do you say " I know this is a stretch numismatically and I will take the heat for it, but David Klinger sent in a letter about World War II US Navy veteran John Finn (100 years old) who was awarded the Medal of Honor for his actions at Pearl Harbor on December 7th. Do a search; he was a very interesting man."The Medal of Honor is a military numismatic item !

> >David Klinger

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> >Dear Fred,

> >Fred, I will never understand your editorial policy, re:numismatic items

> >David Klinger

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> >Dear David,

> >Hm, well sorry if you do not understand the Gram editorial policy. However, the more important point is that our young editor with only a

few hundred Grams under his belt does not understand it either! The MOH article that you sent IS a numismatic story! Many people do not know and others do not care even if they know, but military decorations ARE numismatic items. Still it is a fine line because if my neighbor who received a National Defense Service Medal while serving in Kansas in 1969, died, that would hardly qualify for Gram ink. On the third hand if there was something unusual about the medal, THAT would be appropriate. Perhaps he had a five year battle with the Army to get a replacement medal and when it came in it was decidedly different say in thickness than the old one that would be cool an worthy of a headline story. So your editor and publisher have to make those editorial decisions. That is why they get paid the big bucks.

> >Fred Schwan

> >Publisher

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> >Dear David,

> >A few more lines on the matter. The only point is that it is a numismatic newsletter. True a military numismatic newsletter, but frankly that makes it even more important to be sure that the content is numismatic. There are plenty of military newsletters. We do not want to be one. Still, as I said there can be a thin line.

> >A story about the first American wounded in WWII (Korea, Vietnam nam or whatever) would not be appropriate for the Gram no matter how glorious his acts. His obituary would not be appropriate. Even by saying that he received a Purple Heart would not be enough in my opinion to say that it was a numismatic story than to say that later on D Day that he probably carried Allied military francs.

> >However if some community were putting the Purple Heart of some WWII soldier on display in the local library (as is about to happen in Port Clinton) then it seems to me that there is a worthy numismatic story.

> >Another approach. Probably the main difference between a newsletter and a list serve type system is the function of editor who decides first and foremost what gets published.

> >Finally, all of this is worthy of discussion in the Gram itself. Ah, I thought of one other thing. I love the asylum, but it is no longer an electronic newsletter about numismatic literature. It it instead a numismatic newsletter. That makes it better or worse depending on your view.

> >Sorry to be so long winded. Do not know what came over me.

> >Fred Schwan

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> >Dear Editor,

> >I recently submitted a letter to the editor reporting on the death of my fellow San Diegan, John Finn.

> >John was the oldest living recipient of the Medal of Honor when he died here on 27 May at the age of 100 years.

> >He was also the first MOH recipient of WWII. However, all that, and more did not pass muster with our esteemed Gram Publisher, and the letter was banned from publication in the MPCGram.

> >I entered into a "discussion" with the Publisher on the subject and he suggested that "all of this is worthy of discussion in the Gram itself."

> >His rationale not to publish was summed up in a few of his comments to me:

> >"A story about the first American wounded in WWII (Korea, Vietnam nam or whatever) would not be appropriate for the Gram no matter how glorious his acts. His obituary would not be appropriate. Eve by saying that he received a Purple Heart would not be enough in my opinion to say that it was a numismatic story than to say that later on D Daythat he probably carried Allied military francs.

> >However if some community were putting the Purple Heart of some WWII soldier on display in the local library (as is about to happen in Port Clinton) then it seems to me that there is a worthy numismatic story."

> >He also said:

> >"Still it is a fine line because if my neighbor who received a National Defense Service Medal while serving in Kansas in 1969, died, that would hardly qualify for Gram ink. On the third hand if there was something unusual about the medal, THAT would be appropriate."

> >All of this was as clear as Gulf of Mexico mud to me. So I gave up.

> >If you want to read the banned letter while you are waiting for the headline story from the Port Clinton library, see my Blog at:

> ><http://davidklinger.blogspot.com/>

> >[CAUTION: this letter may offend your sensibilities as it did our Publisher's]

> >David Klinger

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> >David,

>> >>I have not red your recent letter entirely. Perhaps I Noe understand better your position. It is based on a misunderstanding.

>> >>I neither disallowed your letter or otherwise killed its publication. On the contrary, I said that it IS a numismatic story because the medal is in fact a numismatic item. I went on to say that it is something of a fine line because (basically) the fact that someone received a medal, does not make any story about him or her a story worthy of inclusion in the Gram.

>> >>Roger stated that the would get heat from me for including it, and I stated that that indicated that Roger did not fully appreciate my version of the policy.

>> >>However, I also allowed that a discussion of the policy in the Gram could be a healthy thing. A small point, I am neither an English major or graduate of a logic course, but I have been saddened by the somewhat angry tone of our exchanges.

>> >>Your dedicated and loyal friend,

>> >>Fred Schwan

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> >Dear Fred,
> >I am not angry. I enjoy our sparring. I hope you publish this latest letter, so that we can get more clarity on the Editorial Policy for the Gram. I would also like for Gramsters to see the letter on my Blog, because it includes the pictures. The Gram should include pictures. It would make it a much better newsletter. You referred to the E-Sylum. I think that newsletter is outstanding, and should be a model for the Gram.
> >Love and kisses,
> >David
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>> >>
> >Dear Editor,
> >Numismatics includes Medals and Decorations. Not only does this qualify, but it has a personal connection. Of course it belongs in the Gram.
> >Warner Talso
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> >Dear Gram,A change of subject here. In looking over some of the letters about the editorial policy, I see that mine have many more typos than normal. As you may have noted, these we sent from my iPad (very cleverly Apple has this inserted at the closing of emails.) There is a setting that removes it but not only have I not yet bothered to do that, but I now understand that at least in my case I can use that as an excuse.
> >Actually, it is a very clever device and I like it a lot, but I am still getting accustomed to it.
> >Happy Memorial Day.
> >Fred Schwan
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AN MPC CONVERSION DAY (C-DAY) IN VIETNAM
Part One
by Henry Neill

Background

The war in Vietnam had not been going well in early 1968. The February Tet Offensive, while a tactical disaster for the Communist forces, clearly showed things were not what the U. S. and its allies had hoped for at the strategic level. Further concerns were raised later that year when the Communists regrouped and launched a second offensive against Saigon. It was also the time when some doubted our defense of the U. S. Marine Corps combat base at KheSahn would be successful against the encircling North Vietnamese forces. In an attempt to improve things, Washington decided additional American forces would be sent to the war zone. Consequently, the 1st Infantry Brigade of the Armys 5th Infantry Division (Mechanized), the Red Devils, was reconfigured as a separate brigade and alerted for movement to the war zone. Upon arrival in country, the brigade was to move in to northern QuangTri province, arguably the most dangerous piece of real estate in the world at that time, to replace elements of the Armys 1st Cavalry Division which assisted in the relief of KheSahn. Once there the brigade was to join the Third Marine Division to prevent Communist forces from moving south across the demilitarized zone (DMZ) in what was feared would be the their third major offensive of the year.

Deployment And The Early Days In Country

It all began for me, a young Captain, as the brigade was being organized at the Mountain Post of Fort Carson, Colorado, in March 1968. I was ordered to report there to form, equip, train and deploy the brigades 30 man Finance Section. After months of intensive training and long hours processing troops into the newly formed brigade, our section gained expertise and, by the time we deployed to Vietnam, we were a capable, if inexperienced, military Finance unit.

During July 1968 over 5,000 Red Devils deployed to Vietnam by air from Peterson Field, Colorado Springs, Colorado. The Finance Sections flight involved more than 36 hours of travel packed in an Air Force C-141 Starlifter with only a few short stops in California, Wake Island and the Philippines along the way. The latter part of the flight was characterized by a quiet nervousness as we all wondered what lay in store. The quiet ended abruptly when our flight touched down at DaNang Air Base in Vietnam and the rear of the plane swung open. The extreme heat and humidity of the Vietnamese summer assaulted our tired bodies. We off loaded to the sound and fury of camouflaged jet fighters screaming

down the runway, wings heavily laden with bombs, rockets and full fuel pods. War suddenly became a reality.

Exhausted from our long flight, we were then combat loaded, no seats, just straps to hold us on metal pallets, into C-130 Hercules aircraft for the final leg north to our new home, QuangTri Combat Base, the Third Marine Divisions rear headquarters. The base was located about ten miles south of the demilitarized zone (DMZ) separating North and South Vietnam along Highway One, a place made famous earlier in Bernard Falls book, Street Without Joy.

After a jolting landing on metal strips covering QuangTris red clay and sand, we hastily deplaned to the sound of the planes crew chief ordering us to Move it, move it, move it! The Air Force, not prone to having its planes linger in such a dangerous environment, wanted us to offload fast so they could make a hasty departure.

Once on the ground we were greeted by a few Soldiers from our battalions advance party. We un-crated our weapons and ammunition, jumped into the back of waiting duece and a halves, the workhorse two and a half ton trucks used as the Armys principle vehicles for moving men and materiel at that time. Our hasty departure from the airstrip raised a cloud of swirling dust.

After a short ride to our designated sector of the Marine base, we pitched our tents along with the other elements of Company A, 75th Support Battalion, the administrative element of our brigade, the unit to which we were assigned. Next we set about establishing a rudimentary base camp, securing our section of the perimeter and adjusting to the oppressive heat and humidity of the Vietnamese summer. We were also treated to choking blasts of dust and the near constant aroma of JP-4 fuel as our designated location was adjacent to a Marine helicopter refueling point. While attempting to sleep that first evening we could hear the sounds of distant artillery, rocket and mortar fire, some friendly and some not. This was a place we hoped to escape from unscathed but for now we had little to do but wait for the equipment and supplies we shipped from Fort Carson a month earlier. The first few days in country found us attending to the basic requirements of living in the field and defending ourselves in a potentially very dangerous combat environment.

As the brigades Finance Officer, I had some responsibilities needing my immediate attention. I had to assure basic Finance service would be available to our brigade. Prior to arrival in Vietnam I communicated with the Finance Officer assigned to the 1st Cavalry Division and he agreed that after his division finished its mission in support of the Third Marine Division, he would leave a small team in QuangTri for a few days to provide Finance service to any Soldiers needing funds before my section became operational. This alleviated me of a major concern and facilitated the conversion of Geenbacks to Military Payment Certificates (MPC). Prior to leaving Fort Carson all brigade personnel were briefed that cash utilized in Vietnam would be in the form of MPC and that U. S. dollars could neither be transported to nor utilized in Vietnam. A large American force arrive with dollars in their possession could cause inflationary pressures on the economy of a developing nation like the Republic of South Vietnam. Likewise, having dollars in Soldiers possession could lead to various unsavory temptations, e. g., black market activities, drugs, prostitution, etc. Nevertheless, some Soldiers arrived in QuangTri with dollars in their

possession. The 1st Cavalry Divisions team converted many of them and that eased my mind considerably as our brigades command group fully understood the value of keeping U. S. dollars off the battlefield. Next, I located the Third Marine Division Finance officer and concluded a handshake agreement that we would coordinate activities as necessary but that I would service only Army personnel and he would service only Marine personnel except in extreme emergencies. This relieved us both of the complexities of working within two distinctly different pay systems and organizational environments.

To be continued.....

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What are the two issues of Joint Import/Export Agency coupons?

Answer next time.

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EDITORIAL

Today we start the promised feature dealing with a C Day conversion. The story was originally presented at the Fest by Jim Aitken as part of his show-and-tell. He did not relate the entire story but told us enough about it

to whet our appetites. He also passed out a printed version which I scanned quickly at Fest. I read it again a week or so ago and found it to be very interesting; I think you will enjoy it. It is reprinted here with the permission of Colonel Henry Neill. It will run in three or four parts.

I hope everyone went to David Klinger's blog and read the history of the Medal of Honor and saw the images he posted. Now I was aware that prior to World War II the medal could be awarded for non combat related acts, Charles Lindbergh comes to mind, and that the policy was changed. What I did not know was that the design also changed. David has posted photos of all the issued designs. Perhaps I can persuade him to submit a detailed history of our nation's highest military award.

Many thanks to KazFujita for his information on the Kure Arsenal notes. This looks like a very interesting set of notes for those of us who collect China/Japan issues. What would the rarity be? Looks likes I am going to do a little research and I wonder if John Riley's example is available.

We have another opinion on the dates for Fest XII - see Mail Call. My question is: has a date been decided upon? Fred?

And yes, May 31st was a Monday not a Thursday as it appeared in Gram 1934.

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What denominations were added to the United State war bond program after the program started?

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The Myers

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KazFujita

Dear Editor,
I would vote for the last week in March for Fest X11
Dick Dunn

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Part Two

by Henry Neill

Obtaining MPC

With the foregoing problems out of the way and with basic living and security issues satisfied, my next priority was to get the Finance Section up and running. While I brought a supply of blank U. S. Treasury checks with me, one of my first tasks was to obtain the cash needed to

operate. This necessitated travel to the Armys Central Funding Office in Saigon over 400 very unfriendly miles to the south. Since we were given an order that no one was to leave the brigade area of operation, I visited the Brigade Commander to gain his permission to embark on what was to be the first of many ventures outside our area. He immediately approved my request.

Along with my senior non-commissioned officer, a Staff Sergeant, and two of my most trusted Soldiers, I headed to the QuangTri air strip the next morning and asked, How do we get to Saigon? The Air Force sergeant on duty looked up from his coffee and replied, Good luck, Sir! Just wait here as something might come in. It turned out that only a few flights went in and out of QuangTri daily as it was near the end of the line. A flight finally arrived and we headed south to DaNang, the first stop on our journey to Saigon. Several days later, and much more aware of the difficulties associated with air travel in a war zone, we arrived at our destination. Saigon proved to be a crowded, sweltering and mysterious place far different than the isolated environment we left in northern QuangTri province. We had no clue as to how things functioned in the city and, frankly, we felt a little insecure. Dependent upon any American we could find to give us some idea of where to go, we quickly learned no one we met had any knowledge of the location of the Central Funding Office. Nor, we soon learned, could anyone direct us to someone who might know. Consequently, I decided we should go to Headquarters U. S. Army, Vietnam, (HQ USARV) located in Long Binh, a suburb of Saigon. We headed there on what appeared to us to be the most confusing bus system ever created. The U. S. Navy ran the military

bus system in Saigon utilizing color codes to designate various routes. Invariably when we got on the blue route someone would inform us we needed to be on the red route or the orange route or some other route. After exhausting most colors in the rainbow, we eventually arrived at the Army headquarters hot, tired, and confused, all of which seemed to be normal during our first days in Vietnam. After a good nights sleep and our first hot meal in several days our spirits picked up and we set off to get our funds early the next day.

The military pay system my unit was to operate under was an experimental system whereby a Soldier was paid a small amount, \$25 for an enlisted Soldier and \$50 for an officer, in the middle of the month. The remainder of his pay was then sent by check to

an address or financial institution of his choice after being computed at the end of the month at the U. S. Army Finance and Accounting Center in Indianapolis, Indiana. While relying on a slow mail service to send payroll input from QuangTri to Indianapolis and to receive pay data by return mail, this system alleviated my Finance Section of the task of preparing payrolls in the field. It also kept large amounts of cash off the battlefield and thus lowered the amount of cash I needed to acquire and keep on hand to service our brigade. Once at the Central Funding Office, I had only to procure about two million dollars worth of MPC, half in the series currently in circulation and half in a reserve series. I also had to procure a small number of U. S. dollars and some Vietnamese currency from a local military banking facility.

My newly acquired funds constituted a fair amount of weight and considerable bulk given that MPC had to be obtained in various values, the smallest being a 5 bill and the largest being a \$20 bill. All were needed in large volume in order to operate our small self contained

economy in northern I Corps. When I, along with my small band of Soldiers, four of us in total, left the Central Funding Office, the weight and bulk of the money we carried was substantial. Plus, we had our helmets, flack jackets, protective masks, weapons, ammunition and personal items to carry. Coping with all of this, and in an attempt to assure our security, I requested transportation back to Saigons Tan Son Nhat Airport. The response I got was, We usually try to help out but our truck is broken. You will have to go by bus! With this response, my heart sank. I inquired as to other options, e. g., a Military Police escort, but soon learned the Navys multicolored bus routes my only viable option.

Transporting our cash through Saigon along with our personal gear proved to be a challenge. Our basic security lay in the fact no one knew what we carried while our secondary level of security was in the weaponry we carried, three M-16 rifles and one 45 caliber pistol! We needed to get to the relative security of the U. S. military transportation system as fast as possible and that meant we had to get to the nearest bus stop immediately. This involved two of us carrying one of our many pieces of cargo several hundred feet while the remaining two stood guard at our original spot. Then, leaving one of us to guard the just moved items, the other Soldier returned to the original spot to gather other items and transport them along with a third Soldier to the new location leaving one back to guard the original spot. This process was repeated a number of times until we reached the bus stop making sure to keep within eyesight of each other at all times. I suspect we looked a bit like Larry, Moe and Curly during this exercise but it was our only option as incredible as it all seems now.

We boarded a by now familiar Navy bus and again attempted to decipher the color coded route system. After riding on several erroneous routes and wrestling with the complexities of disembarking, guarding our cache of funds and switching buses with all our gear, we finally arrived at Tan Son Nhut airport only to be faced with a long wait for a plane headed north.

The trip back to QuangTri involved some long delays at airfields along the way but carrying a large volume of currency gave us a somewhat higher priority to board flights. Our flight time north to QuangTri was almost a day shorter than our flight time south. We arrived back at our base camp, tired, dirty but relieved to be back on familiar ground among our band of brothers.

By the time we returned to QuangTri, most of our supplies and equipment had been delivered after being off loaded at Wunder Beach to the east of our area of operation. Our next requirement was to set up and begin functioning as an operational Finance unit. We also began to improve our facilities. Among the first improvements we made was to construct a reasonably secure place for our cash. This was accomplished by moving a CONEX container, a large metal shipping container, up against the rear of one of our GP (General Purpose) medium tents and placing sandbags around the top and three sides of the container leaving the side with the door to open inside the tent. Several Army field safes with combination locks were placed inside the CONEX container. These safes were filled with the cash and the door to the container was secured in true military style with a Sergeant Greenleaf lock!

The tent with the attached CONEX container also served as the administrative section of our Finance Section as well as the sleeping area for me, my Deputy Finance Officer and my senior non-commissioned officer, Three other tents, one for disbursing operations, one for military pay operations and one for our in/out processing and travel pay section constituted the entire Finance operation. Our enlisted Soldiers were billeted in tents in the Company A area.

With the Armys funds safely stored, our efforts moved toward the processing of pay actions, over 30,000 of them during the first month alone, and providing routine Finance service. The first mid month payday occurred on August 15, just a little over two weeks since our arrival in country, and cash (MPC) was now in the hands of the brigades troops. The troops needed little cash as there were few places while living in a field environment to spend money. Northern QuangTri was a mostly rural area devoid of creature comforts and the few villages there were off limits unless on a military mission. Still, making payday was a huge factor in keeping troop morale up. Meals, mail and money are three things troops treasure. It was my job to assure they got their money.

In addition to providing Finance service, our Soldiers, like the Marines on QuangTri Combat Base, manned the bases defensive perimeter and served in a ready reaction force in case of attack. Our section also provided Soldiers on a daily basis for kitchen police (KP), work details, food and supply acquisition and numerous other tasks. Most draining on our manpower was the need to furnish a number of men to construct Camp Red Devil, a new base camp which was to be a more permanent home for our brigade. Looking back, it is incredible how much our Soldiers accomplished with little sleep in an environment of extreme heat, humidity and the constant dangers of life in a combat zone.

All went reasonably well until the late summer when the rain began to fall in torrents, the water rose, the soil turned to mud and we became stranded as we hunkered down simply trying to survive. Among the casualties of the floods was the postal link we depended on to transmit financial data to the Army Finance Center in Indianapolis. It simply ceased to function. In one sense, this mattered little since we could process few pay actions as the rain and wind drove through our canvas tents almost bringing our work to a standstill. Somehow we made the September 15 pay day even though we had to carry the payrolls out to some units. I remember helicoptering north in a blinding rain to deliver pay to the 1st Battalion, 77th Armor trapped by floods at Con Tien, just south of the DMZ. It was a harrowing ride to a dangerous location but the tankers got their pay on payday!

The rains finally subsided, the floods dissipated, the sun, scorching heat and humidity returned as we settled back into our daily work routine, a very busy routine as we continued to be tasked to help construct Camp Devil while attempting to catch up on our Finance work. We also learned the move to Camp Red devil was scheduled for mid- October.

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Twenty-five Aurar chits were issued in Iceland. Where were they used?

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ANSWER TO PREVIOUS QUESTION

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The correct answer of Reichsmarks & Deutschmarks was sent in by the Myers and Harold Kroll.

EDITORIAL

I was going to use David Klinger's letter as a feature article but after looking at his blog I found it would be easier for our readers to peruse it there because of the color photos. To do it in the Gram would mean copying the pictures over to the website and having to go back and forth from the Gram to the website to see the images in conjunction with the narrative. If you collect medals and decorations or have an interest in learning more about them, go to the blog as it is an informative read. This leads me to repeat what was mentioned a few Grams prior about including photos with an improved Gram layout. I have spoken with Ray Feller and we plan to meet to discuss this idea in Memphis. Getting it done will not be a simple process, it will take a little work, but Ray tells me it is possible. We would try to make the format similar to that of the eSylum where there would be a "box" next to articles which would hold the photos.

Andrew Keene is making some of you an offer you can't refuse - look in Mail Call.

Joe Boling also asks if a date for Fest XII has been decided on. I guess I will give our Esteemed Publisher a call go check on progress and maybe even get him to send in a TWIRR.

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Dear Editor,

You mentioned an article on the history of the Medal of Honor. I don't want to try that. There is plenty available on the Internet for those who are interested.

However, there is not a very good treatment of the nine different design types (4 Navy, 4 Army, 1 AF) for the decoration.

There was also a mystery concerning the Army modern neck ribbon MOH (type 4) not being authorized until 1944.

So, I have posted a summary of these nine design types on my Blog:

<http://davidklinger.blogspot.com/>

David Klinger

Dear Editor,

The current David Sklow Book Auction 10 at, which ends on June 12, has a lot that might be of interest to Gramsters. It is at

<http://www.finenumismaticbooks.com/> and the lot is item 740; which is described as follows:

740. Champa, Armand. LETTERHEAD WITH ENVELOPE WORLD WAR II. Fitchburg, Mass. Aug. 11, 1944. 3 x 6 inch envelope and 8 x 11 letterhead sheet. A most remarkable envelope, printed return address: Armand Champa, 484 Main Street, Fitchburg, Mass. Addressed to Sgt William Hildunen 16160085, 858 S.A.D.N. 492 Group, A.P.O. 558 % Postmaster, New York, N.Y. ; the envelope bears three five cent stamps of the flags of the world issue [France, Norway & Denmark], canceled FITCHBURG, MASS. Aug 11, 1944 1:30PM. Also stamped RETURN TO SENDER and MISSING JAMES COLE, LT. AC, ADJ. {ALSO} a blank 8 x 11 sheet of letterhead stationary printed: ARMAND P. CHAMPA, S.P.A., A.P.S., Dealer in Postage Stamps and Supplies, 484 Main Street, Room 33, Fitchburg, Mass. ; two wonderful pieces of history, seldom if ever offered for sale; the envelope has been opened and the letterhead sheet has been folded; Fine. (50.00)

The Master Sergeant Daniel

Dear Editor,

In an earlier Gram is was notes mini-fest notes were issued at the Central States Show in Milwaukee last month. There are a few extras left.

If anyone is interested in attaining one, send me an email. The first person to write will also get the last of 6 specimens. All at no charge!

Thanks,

Andrew Keene

andrewkeene@me.com

Dear Editor,

As long as we are still talking about dates for Fest next year, I remind again that the last weekend of March is Louise's professional conference again - it means her missing two years consecutively. We prefer Palm Sunday weekend.

Joe Boling.

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Series 11, No. 1937 Monday, June 14th, 2010

Bolivia Coinage,
by Bill Myers

Bolivia declared war on Germany April 7, 1943. Shortly after that, President Enrique Pearanda was overthrown in a coup. Although the new leader, GualbertoVillarroel, was a fascist and anti-Semite, foreign pressure compelled him to remain at war. Bolivian mines provided tin to the Allies but the country did not send troops or planes overseas. Due to inflation, the Decree of 16.3.1942 created 5,000 and 10,000 bolivianos notes. The highest denomination previously was 1,000 bolivianos.

There was a change in composition as well as a reduction in size for the coinage of Bolivia in 1942 due to war requirements for certain metals for war materiel and inflation. The 10 and 20 centavos were composed of zinc rather than copper-nickel (10 centavos) or silver (20 centavos), like the prior issues. The 50 centavos was composed of bronze instead of copper-nickel. All of the coins were minted in Philadelphia and do not bear a mintmark. There is a restrike of the 50 centavos that is different from the Philadelphia strike in that it is reeded instead of having a plain edge, and has poorer detail. A die crack can be seen going through the stars on the lower left of the obverse. All coins have medal rotation.

centavos	description	mintage
10	18 mm zinc, coat of arms; rx.	10,000,000

	denom, caduceus branches 1942	
20	21.25 mm as above	10,000,000
50	25.3 mm bronze, as above	
	a. plain edge	10,000,000
	b. reeded edge restrike	5,310,000

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Things I learned at Central States 2010 (Milwaukee)
by Joe Boling

One of the exhibits at the Central States convention this year was about the medallist Trygve Rovelstad. In addition to designing the Elgin commemorative half dollar, he also designed a host of military awards, including the following: Legion of Merit, Bronze Star, WWI Occupation of Germany Service Medal, WAC Service Medal, Combat Infantryman's Badge, and the Army/Navy "E" award pin. The guy was nothing if not prolific. I foresee his name getting into the next edition of SB.

Further to my discussion of Mafeking siege notes of a couple of years ago, I have now identified two different watermarks used in the one pound notes (those are the ones printed using the blueprint process). The first one I found is the words "Charter Vellum" in hollow letters, the upper case letters 23mm tall, and lower case 13mm (except for the tall ones like "h" and "l"). The whole watermark is 85mm long. The one example I have seen has the watermark at 90 degrees to the note image, running from top to bottom in the left side of the note.

The other watermark is a quartered coat of arms surrounded by the words "Honi Soit Qui Mal y Pense." This is the motto of the Order of the Garter, but the whole watermark is not the badge of that order. It may be one of the several versions of the arms of the UK (remember that this paper is over a century old). This note was in the Mafeking exhibit at CSNS this year (the owner let me examine it as the show was closing). I did not record the orientation of this watermark in the paper.

The use of multiple watermarks shows that the garrison was using whatever paper it could lay hands on to print notes.

Regarding the low denomination notes (one, two and three shillings), the standard references say that the paper is ruled (on the back, which was not printed). I had never observed that ruling, and thought that, again, various papers, some plain, had been used. But the exhibitor showed me that the ruling is light gray and very faint (just visible enough to assist a scrivener in keeping straight lines). So now I will have watch for more of these, and see if indeed all are ruled.

CHAMPIONSHIP QUESTION CORNER

Questions for this space from subscribers and always welcome and eagerly solicited.

The only requirement is that you also provide the answer!

Who designed the one pound Mafeking Siege note?

(A color picture of the note is on the cover of the 9th Edition of the Standard Catalog of World Paper Money - Special Issues)

Answer next time.

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ANSWER TO PREVIOUS QUESTION

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Twenty-five Aurar chits were issued in Iceland. Where were they used?

Both David Seelye and Thed Myers correctly answered Camp Knox

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EDITORIAL

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It seems some of our subscribers did not get Gram 1935 and that 1936 was late. My checks and balances (looking at my own in box on my personal email account)

were okay in that all seemed to be complete and accurate. I will send out Gram 1935 again - to everyone - right after this edition. Like they say on a parachute - if it doesn't work please let us know.

For JIM collectors there is an offer in Mail Call which you might say you can't refuse. An entire collection is on the block, so if you have an interest read on. Joe Boling mentions Mafeking siege notes in his column.

These are an interesting emergency issue from the Boer War and as you have seen the subject of today's question. See lot 12212 in the upcoming Heritage auction which will be held in Memphis this week and you will see an offering for one example of this wartime issue. Subscriber J J Sullivan has a question; he says he needs information on a "charge" coin - does he mean a challenge coin? Is a scan possible? Anyone able to provide an information?

The next issue will go out on Wednesday (after I pack for Memphis) and will have another part of Henry Neill's MPC Conversion article.

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Dear Editor,

Since we are talking about Vietnam conversion, here is a comment from a soldier who was attached to the 3rd Marines:

The time in 1969 when they had the MPC switch over, we were in DaNang, and when they closed down everything for the switch, we told the Pay Officers we had money back in Dong Ha, our home base, They checked it out, found it to be true, and gave us special passes allowing us to switch after the date!. We converted the money we had, and used it to buy up all the old money we could find to buy in the villages on Highway one

heading back to Dong Ha. Between my buddy and me we must have had about \$200; by the time we got home we each had over \$1000 in old money, which we were allowed to convert.
Herb Friedman

Dear Editor,

> > Some years ago at the ANA summer seminar, Adna Wilde and I were sitting in the hallway waiting for one of our Military Numismatics instructors to open the classroom, when a student from another class (and vest pocket dealer) showed us what we recognized as a Civil War era (type 1) Army Medal of Honor. He said that he had this on consignment and wanted to know how much it was worth. I was anxious to jump in when Adna quickly told the man that it was illegal to buy sell or trade this item. I'm not sure the guy even knew it was a Medal of Honor. He walked away somewhat bewildered. I have no idea what ever happened to that MOH.

> >David Klinger

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> >Dear Editor,

> >Shaking hands with a MOHrecipient last week

> > Bill McNease

> >[Go to the website to see the image - Ed.]

Dear Editor,

Does anyone have information on the Military Purchase System, Inc? I have a Charge Coin? with a dedicated number on it. Return postage guaranteed and a NYC mailing address is also on it.

J J Sullivan

[The following was forwarded to the Gram by Joe Boling]Hi Mr. Boling,

I'm planning to sell off my entire personal collection of JIM in the next few months on ebay. I started off listing about 100 prefixes of Netherland East Indies last week, and this week I'm listing another 60 prefixes or so, with S/A? prefixes for all 1c, 5c and 10c denominations.

Just wonder if there's any chance you could help me to forward this message to all your JIM e-news subscribers.

Attached are the links for samples of some uncommon prefixes currently listed.

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Alternatively, they can search by my ebay ID which is drwykong

I'll list my other Netherland Indies, Malaya, Burma and Oceania JIM in the next few weeks. They can enrich their collection by purchasing my items.
Thanks and kind regards,
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Dear Esteemed Editor,

Today, I received the Spink Smythe Auction catalog for June 29, 2010 in Dallas, TX. The title is "Stocks and Bonds of the Americas" so you probably thought I would not look into it. But I do look in every catalog because there is sometimes one or more lots which are incorrectly described and needed by me or someone I know. In this auction is the following lot;

18 United States of America, \$50 3% adjusted service bond, 1936, #36781106, Andrew Jackson at top, black with green underprint, red seal, title, and number, printed signature of Morgenthau, extremely fine, (photo) Est. 650

When I first read the description, the word "service" connected me to the military. I could not see anything military about it so I picked up my magnifying glass and looked closely at the illustration. In the upper left hand corner is "3% Adjusted Service Bond of 1945." There is a date of "June 15, 1936" on it but the key date for Gramsters is "1945." I think most of us know who will be bidding on this bond and I hope I alerted him to it so he would not miss it.

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Preparation for Colorado Springs,
by Joe Boling

This is my annual advisory column for persons coming to Summer Seminar - what to pack. Although the military courses are not until week two, some of you will be departing sooner, perhaps via Memphis (the battalion clerk and The Boss are already in the far west - if he needs anything I talk about below, he'll have to get it out there).

If you are staying in the dorms, you will be provided towels and slivers of soap, but NOT face cloths. If you are one who uses a face cloth to bathe, shower, or shave, bring a couple and a plastic bag to pack the wet one in on the last morning. If you want to use a hand towel for those trips to the sink between showers, bring them also.

Only a very few (or no) hangers are left in the closets when the Colorado College students leave for the summer. Bring a good supply of hangers for your shirts or blouses and trousers.

If you are going to be there both weeks, consider bringing some detergent for the washers. Yes, you can buy it from the vending machines, but a small Ziplock bag from home will be a lot cheaper, and you will be using the brand you like.

If you are driving, and want to work at your desk in the evenings, bring a desk lamp. The overhead lights in the dorms are not very bright. Even if you are flying to Colorado, bringing a Tensor lamp (or equivalent) might be possible.

If you are bringing a laptop, bring an Ethernet cable. It's a lot easier to use the college's broadband lines by direct plug-in than by getting onto their Wi-fi network (although this changed last year - the plug-in did not work and the wireless finally did - the first year I have been able to use their wireless capability). Be prepared for either.

If you are planning to make the trip up Pikes Peak, bring a jacket, and maybe a hat. The weather up there is usually very different from what is down below. For the week in the Springs, casual wear. The staff members have been known to castigate folks for appearing in a tie and jacket. Bring an umbrella - it is not uncommon to have a thunderstorm every afternoon of the session.

If you will be sunning yourself on the patio (or just playing poker out there in the afternoon), bring sun screen. At 6000 feet elevation, the sun burns much faster than at low elevations.

If you have some numismatic white elephants, consider donating them to the YN auctions. The YN contingent will be soliciting donations of material to be sold (there is a YN auction in each session). Bring your check book also, so that you can buy items from the auction. \$50 bottles of water have been known to find new homes during those events.

If you are already a fester, bring that pay book. The penalties for appearing for pay without a pay book can be severe. Don't forget your challenge coin, also, and keep it close by.

Bring both World War II Remembered and the 4th edition MPC book, if you own them. If you do not own them, they will be provided, but you will be assessed for them in the pay line, thereby reducing the available fest certificates that you have to use for other purposes.

If you have any military currencies (particularly of the years covered by the seminar class, 1930-date) that are mysteries, bring them. If we can't unravel the mysteries, we will at least get to see your treasures and record them for the next edition of SB. You are welcome to bring as much else of your collection as you desire to share, but there is limited security capability (space in the ANA museum, subject to restricted hours of access). I've not heard of anyone losing material from the dorm rooms, but there is only minimal security there.

If you collect fest certificates, consider bringing that collection so that researchers can record serial numbers and you have your material close at hand for trading.

If you own a UV lamp and a good loupe or hand-held microscope, bring them (and mark them with your name/phone number). Bring a millimeter scale. Bring your digital camera for recording images of notes and ancillary material (and your classmates).

You can see from this list that the seminars tend to the very practical side, dealing with the actual materials as much as possible, rather than catalog listings of them. And if this brief message makes you wish that you were coming, start planning for 2011.

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Who designed the one pound Mafeking Siege note?

Answer:
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The Myers

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EDITORIAL

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Consider this Gram a bonus. The plan was to send out Gram 1938 tomorrow with another edition of Henry Neill's conversion feature, but the information provided by Joe is important and I wanted to get it out in a timely manner for those new attendees at the Summer Seminar. Neil Kaplan is looking for more information on the Kure Arsenal notes. Can anyone provide more information that has previously been reported? I hope so as it would make a great feature. We will stick to original plan and present the next part of Henry Neill's feature tomorrow.

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Dear Editor,
Would you have more information on the KazFujita for his information on the Kure Arsenal notes article?
Thanks,
Neil Kaplan

Dear Editor:
The term "charge coin" is sufficiently generic to have several potential meanings. However, the most likely numismatic meaning refers to coins that preceded plastic credit cards. Upscale stores and others would extend credit on account. Charge Coins were designed to fit on a key chain, or tucked away in a womens purse. This allowed people to shop without cash at a time when well-to-do folks, particularly women, did not carry cash. These pieces were issued by department and clothing stores, hotels, taxi cab companies and more from the early 1900's into the 1950's. The charge coins bear the name of the store, or just the store's initials or logo, along with a number corresponding to the customer's charge account. When making a charge purchase, the token was shown to the store clerk or merchant. Attached is an image of samples. [Go to the website to see the images - Ed.] This is from a presentation on these coins at the Albuquerque Coin Club. WarneTalsor

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MPC Conversion,
by Henry Neill,
Part 3

Conversion Day (C-Day)
Oh no, not today! I had just opened a classified message from HQ USARV announcing today was conversion day (D-Day). It was also the day my Operations Sergeant, the senior non-commissioned officer in my section, was to leave for home. His period of enlistment was fulfilled and he decided to leave the Army. It was also the day scheduled for us to move to our new home, Camp Red Devil. It promised to be a rough day ahead. Understanding what a C-Day involved, I immediately went to our battalion headquarters to explain there was no way the Finance Section could pack up and move to our new base camp today. The Battalion Commander, an Ordnance officer having no knowledge of Finance procedures, said I was fighting the problem and to get with it. Meanwhile, upon receipt of the message announcing C-Day, the implementing plan was being activated throughout not only our AO but throughout all of Vietnam.

After holding a formation to say farewell to my Operations Sergeant, I went off to see my boss, the Brigade S-1 (Personnel and Administration), an Infantry officer, to brief him on what C-Day was all about and to solicit his support for my request not to move to Camp Red Devil at this time. He understood and together we went to the Deputy Brigade Commander who approved my request provided I would only keep the minimum number of personnel needed to perform C-Day duties with me at QuangTri Combat Base. I viewed this as a victory but it resulted in two difficult situations. First, it further deteriorated my already rocky relationship with my Battalion Commander. Second, and of more serious concern, after the battalion left our area, I would be alone with only a handful of Soldiers, two tents, one bunker and a whole lot of cash. I had to presume the Marines would take over the perimeter vacated by our battalion but, even then, we were very isolated and in an extremely dangerous location.

While most of my men went about packing the supplies and equipment that were to move to Camp Red Devil, my deputy Finance Officer and I gathered a few of our most trusted Soldiers, all of whom were on orders as cashiers, and briefed them on what they could expect during our first C-Day. Shortly thereafter our work picked up. Each company size unit in the brigade had an officer appointed on orders as a Class A agent authorized to accept and disburse government funds.

The Class A agent, usually the Company Executive Officer, was appointed under Army Regulation 37-103, Disbursing Operations, to operate in a limited role in the name of the servicing Finance Officer. Class A Agents were directly responsible to the Finance Officer while performing payroll or other duties, e. g., collecting and receiving monies on C-Day. Each Class A agent in our brigade had been given detailed instructions in writing by me so he had some knowledge of what was expected of him. Among the more important instructions were that the agent would have an armed guard accompanying him when in possession of funds and would make positive identification of individuals when disbursing funds. Very few officers looked forward to performing the duties of a Class A Agent and their collective feelings seemed to be expressed by one Lieutenant who referred to the duty as that loathsome chore!

As the day progressed, all over our brigade area troops began to report to their units Class A Agent to turn in their MPC. They had been informed any MPC not turned in that day would be worthless the next day. This was a strong incentive to comply with the order to turn their money in. Throughout Vietnam military personnel were restricted to their installation, camp or duty station to the maximum extent possible. This reduced the problem of MPC in the hands of Vietnamese or others not authorized to possess it from being turned in. In addition, should someone turn in a large amount that person would be investigated as to the source of the money. Because our brigade had only been in country a short time and we had relatively small payrolls, we experienced far fewer problems than many units. But, C-Day made combat operations difficult and it was a universally unpopular event throughout the brigade.

About noontime on C-Day, the first Class A agents appeared at the Finance Section to exchange the funds collected from their unit. When the officer presented himself, we checked his orders, had him again read my instructions and my cashiers began to count his old series MPC in his presence. The amount turned in was agreed upon and a like amount in the

new series of MPC was disbursed to him. During this exercise, care had to be taken to record not only the total amount of the exchange but, also, the specific number of pieces of each series turned in. There had to be an exact number of 5, 10, 25, etc. bills issued as were turned in. Actually, the Class A Agent was required to write down next to each Soldiers name the exact amounts (5, 10, 25, etc.) he exchanged so that similar bills in the new series could be returned to him. Of course, a signature was required next to the Soldiers name to assure the amounts exchanged were agreed to by both the Class A agent and the individual Soldier. This was a stringent bureaucratic requirement and one not always easily accomplished in a field environment where wind, dust, humidity and combat conditions reigned supreme. But, everyone wanted an accurate exchange and did not want to issue only large bills which would be of limited value if change could not be made. By the end of the first day, we had exchanged many thousands of MPC. The old MPC, much of it torn and soiled, was secured in the CONEX container and recounted later to assure no errors were made. That night, alone in the deserted battalion area, a guard was posted while the rest of us dined on cold C rations and warm beer--a limit of two cans per man! We slept to the distant sounds of artillery and B-52 strikes along the DMZ as our days work was completed.

The next day, the old MPC was neatly wrapped and accounts were balanced while a few more exchanges had to be made. Some Soldiers were on temporary duty out of the area, some were in our field hospital, some were otherwise engaged in combat operations and one Class A Agent had transportation problems and called in to say he would be late. These late exchanges had to be thoroughly explained. Finally, the C- Day activities were brought to a close, our accounts were double checked and we began to make arrangements to vacate QuangTri Combat Base and rejoin the rest of our section at Camp Red Devil, a more secure location.
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I am off early tomorrow for Memphis and I am looking forward to the trip. There is of course the anticipation of seeing "the guys" and discovering what changes have been made since Lyn Knight is now presenting the show. Howard Daniel and I are exhibiting this year and that gets us in for setup at noon on Thursday which is a lot earlier than in previous years. There will be photo identification badges and I am told the entrance will now be from the concourse and not from the loading ramp. There is a lecture series planned for parts of Friday and Saturday and the Master Sergeant and I are giving a presentation. Of course there are the ribs and the steak at the Butcher shop and, oh yea, some notes might just be available for me to bring back here go Saint James. The next Gram will come from Memphis so stay tuned to this channel

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Dear Editor,

Here is what I know about the Military Purchase System. It was a line of credit, accessed by writing checks to either send to vendors or deposit in your regular checking account. It was operated by the European American Bank in Garden City, NY. My account was opened in 1977. I have no recollection of any kind of token coin associated with the account. I do seem to remember that EAB had agreements with various stores and service vendors to offer reduced rates to members of MPS, but I used it mostly (perhaps exclusively) for cash.

In 1981 the accounts were converted to MasterCard, still under the EAB. In 1987, EAB was bought out by, or sold the accounts to, the First Chicago Corporation (FCC National Bank), and the card was known as FirstCard (still with a MasterCard number). By 1999 the bank was called First USA Bank NA. I closed my account in 2001. By that time, the title Military Purchase System had been long dead - the last document I find with that logo on it is dated 1987, and is also the last to refer to the European American Bank.

Note to Louise - if I had cleaned out that file drawer, I would not have been able to answer this question.

Joe Boling

[OK - haven't we all been here? Regarding Joe's comment to the Mrs. - It must Murphy's Law - the day after something is thrown out is the day you can use it. There is something to say for us "savers"!]

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Memphis Paper Money Show Report,
by Roger Urce

We arrived in Memphis early on Thursday morning and after breakfast we went over to the bourse area, or where we thought the bourse area was, and found we were in the wrong place. Now the room is the same as it has been for the past nine years or so that I have been in attendance but the entrance was moved so that entry was via the front door as opposed to the rear doors in the loading area. Lyn Knight had the sign-in and registration organized and it ran very smoothly except for a few of the photo ID passes that had to be redone, mine included. All dealers, exhibitors and those with club tables were issued a one time photo ID which will be valid for upcoming shows. Each successive show will require a ribbon attached to this year's pass. Set up began promptly at noon. The room was arranged so that all exhibit cases were in the center in the form of a cross with dealer tables

in the four area surrounding the exhibits. At the entry to the right were tables and cases devoted to Lyn Knight and the 2011 auction and adjacent to that, on the left, was the Heritage auction lot viewing area. (By prior arrangement, Heritage was scheduled to conduct the 2010 auction). Business began as soon as set-up was completed and continued at a moderate pace for the remainder of the day. Thursday night a number of us headed off to the Butcher Shop for dinner and some catch up conversation and fellowship. The steaks were great, as always, but the most enjoyment came from getting together.

Friday morning saw the annual SPMC breakfast at the Crowne Plaza followed by the raffle emceed by Wendell Wolka. There were quite a number of nice raffle prizes, including some Hawaii overprints one of which I was lucky enough to win. The fact that 2011 will mark the 50th anniversary of both the IBNS and the SPMC brought about discussion that both anniversaries could be celebrated to and simultaneously during events next year. Committees will be formed to work out the details. More on this as things develop.

It was then over to the bourse where traffic was again moderate. Most of those in attendance had photo badges although there were a number of non-dealers looking at notes. As advertised there were stamp dealers with tables and while they had some very nice offerings and material very little military related items were in evidence save a number of five dollar war savings stamps which although very attractive, were beyond my budget,

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The exhibits were well done and easy to peruse. Two were military related, the first by Fester Larry Schuffman on Liberty Bonds and the second by our own Master Sergeant Daniel and myself on Ho Chi Minh Trail Coupons. The multi-case display of Prison Money and Tokens was impressive, as was the display of Postal Notes.

Educational Forums began today with Feller and Feller talking on "Colorful Characters behind Paper Money from Around the World and Larry Schuffman on "Liberty Loan Bonds of 1917-1919, Patriotism, Propaganda and Promotion. Perhaps we can get a report on this for an upcoming Gram. Tomorrow will see more Forum Presentations and the various club meetings.

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While at dinner I was able to talk with Ray Feller and we are working on getting the photos in the Gram. It will be a little challenging and we are not sure how to get around the problem utilizing Yahoo. First we will get the format down, then add the images and give it a try. We will keep in-touch and met again in person at the ANA in Boston in early August.

Just discovered: we had another slight glitch. The past two Grams did not go out when sent. By now you should have received Grams 1938 and 1939 in addition to this one. Hopefully you read them in order so you are up-to-date. The next Gram with the remainder of the Memphis Show report will go out Monday, the 21st.

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Part 2,

by Roger Urce

Floor activity on Saturday was about the same as Friday. I didn't spend a lot of time at the bourse as I was involved in a couple of meetings. Howard Daniel and I spoke on Ho Chi Minh Trail Coupons as part of the Educational Forum and our talk, along with the others that took place on Friday and Saturday, was well received. A copy of Howard's book, Democratic Republic of Viet Nam Coins and Currency along with a specially prepared souvenir card depicting two coupons, were presented to all attendees. Trail Coupons are an interesting field that requires a lot more research which is undertaken by Howard on his trips over to SE Asia. The presentation was well received. (You can go to the website to see an image of the card and get more information in the my Editorial below). The Educational Forum is a great idea and having it scheduled so that the presentations do not conflict with club meetings affords all who are interested the opportunity to attend.

A Mini-Fest meeting was held on Saturday afternoon. Original Fester Marv Mericle was the emcee and promptly produced his challenge coin and all were prepared except for Carlson Chambliss. There were a number of show-and-tells including a set of earrings made from Australian coins during WW II that would certainly qualify as trench art. Other items were: a Korean Safe conduct pass on a 1959 issue note which makes it a cold war item; a series 461 five cent MPC (serial number 00056063) which was purchased for \$5 after the price was negotiated down from \$7; a stock certificate from the J. John Machine Shop and Iron Works in Litzmannstadt for 1000 RM dated 1942; a POW chit from Fort Custer; two British POW notes one denominated in shillings for use in England and another in Francs for use in France and letters along with a medal presented to Dr. Joseph Mengele for his "good work".

Personally, thanks to Dave Frank, I finally completed my basic type set or Port Kunda notes with the addition of a 10 ruble piece.

On Sunday morning I went back to the bourse about 9AM to take down the exhibit and the floor was almost deserted. Many dealers had packed and left the night before and earlier in the day. There were only a half-dozen tables with activity and most of the exhibits were already gone.

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ANSWER TO PREVIOUS QUESTION

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What two companies printed British Armed Forces Special Vouchers?

ANSWER:

The two printers of BAFSV were Bradbury Wilkinson & Co and Thomas De La Rue.

Brent Arthurson

IBNS Perth Chapter

ANSWER:

Thomas De La Rue & Co. (subcontracted to John Waddington, Ltd) and

Bradbury Wilkinson.

The Myers

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EDITORIAL

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Despite the floor activity, or lack thereof, Memphis is always a great show. As we have often said, the best part is the fellowship and seeing friends and sharing stories and looking at notes. I think David Seelye put it best when saying that it is the core of dealers and collectors who come each year that makes the show. This year Memphis was not a show for the general public, as I did not see many people on the bourse floor with non-dealer/photo badges.

In general it appears the dealers did okay and they will continue to come. Part of the lure is the city of Memphis itself.

I'd like to again compliment Lyn Knight and his staff for a fine job in organizing this year's show.

The next Gramster/Fester event will be the Summer Seminar in Colorado

(Fred and the Boss are already out west) and our subscribers would,

I'm confident, certainly appreciate a report or two on events, especially since Gramsters from Australia will be in attendance Perhaps our Publisher could even send in a

TWIRR and confirm that the date for Fest XII is the weekend of March 25th, 2011 as was reported at the Memphis Mini-Fest. A suggestion was made

to call Kim at HQ; I did just that only to find out she had the day off.

I left a message. We should have an answer in time for Wednesday's Gram.

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Dear Editor,

Regarding lot 12637 in the Heritage Memphis sale - a series 521 5c piece slabbed and described as "missing yellow underprint." For starters, any note graded VF20 that has a pale tint missing can't be considered to be an error. Too much happens to notes in circulation for a note that heavily worn to be described as an error (just like you can't take dimensions from a heavily circulated note as representative of dimensions of a high-grade note). I examined this note Thursday afternoon prior to the auction that evening. Under ultraviolet illumination, portions of the yellow tint are visible at the right end of the face (even through the PCGS slab, which does not like to pass UV). It's no error - it's a damaged note. PCGS should have known better.

The lot did not sell, and is available now on Heritage's site as a post-auction buy for \$287.50. Don't do it.

Go to the Heritage web site (www.ha.com) to find what the other MPC sold for, starting at lot 12636.

Joe Boling

Dear Editor,

The RAO Bulletin of 15 June 2010 points out that the plans for Operation Downfall, the invasion of Japan in 1945, have recently been declassified. The declassified documents detail the invasion plans and make reference to the amount of casualties expected for both the Allies and Japan. I am betting there is a section in these documents about occupation money. The documents are in the National Archives.

The Master Sergeant Daniel

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MPC Conversion Day,
by Henry Neill
Conclusion

Post C-Day

Life at Camp Red Devil, while by no means luxurious, was better than it had been. We now had our tents, commonly called hooches, on wooden platforms. We eventually took the tents off the wood frames and replaced them with tin roofs and partially open plywood siding to allow air to pass through. A generator was procured to give us electricity, if somewhat sporadically, to power fans and small refrigerators. Our food service was improved and we had a fixed shower point which occasionally had warm water. My Soldiers became more skilled in their duties and more accustomed to the perils of nights on guard in the perimeter bunkers. I felt more secure as the CONEX container holding my field safes full of cash was transported to our new location by the Engineers bridge platoon which was conveniently located next to our Finance Section. Once in place, the Engineers replaced the sandbags which had surrounded the CONEX with heavy, earth filled metal revetments of the type used to protect fighter aircraft on military airfields. I was sure neither mortars nor rockets could breach these outer walls.

There were still many challenges to be overcome. Obtaining operating cash remained a major challenge and a trip had to again be made to Saigon to sign for another series of MPC to hold in anticipation of still another C-Day. Fortunately, that day never came during my remaining time in Vietnam. I now had three series of MPC to account for, the original series, the series issued on C-Day and my new reserve series. My personal accountability with the U. S. Treasury now reached several million dollars. It grew still further as not long after C-Day HQ, USARV decided I should provide Finance service to all non-divisional troops along the

DMZ. This meant about 6,000 Soldiers were added to my payrolls. A National Guard Finance Section was activated and placed under my operational control to assist with this mission. They arrived with little training in Army Finance procedures and operated a pay system different from the experimental system

my section operated. This added a layer of complexity to things but eventually things worked out.

Shortly after the National Guard unit gained expertise, I was given responsibility to provide Finance service to a Cavalry unit from the Armys Ninth Infantry Division which was operating under our brigades control along the DMZ. This necessitated a trip south to Dong Tam, situated well below Saigon where the Ninth Divisions headquarters was located, to obtain their records. With the addition of these missions, the total number of Soldiers I now served grew to approximately 12,000, scattered all along the DMZ in Vietnams northernmost province. It also greatly increased my cash requirements.

During winter the weather changed from hot and humid to cool and wet. Keeping warm added to the challenges of daily life. Often the unexpected happened, like the day my cash control officer forgot the combination to a field safe holding cash needed for pay day. After a panic call to our Ordnance Company, a Sergeant appeared on the scene and demonstrated that a field safe could, in fact, be broken into. On another day, a fuel truck traveling on the road adjacent to the Finance Section tipped over spilling its volatile load under our hooches. Luckily, after a bit of panic and much shouting, Get out, get out, cigarettes out, no fire occurred. This near tragic incident proved the unexpected can occur at any time with potentially devastating consequences.

By the time spring arrived, I had made arrangements to obtain MPC and other funds from a Navy Finance unit in DaNang, less than an hour south of QuangTri by air. There was also a military banking facility operated by Chase Manhattan Bank in DaNang so I could deposit checks and excess funds there. This reduced my travel requirements greatly and made life much easier. With only a few weeks to go on my year long tour of duty in Vietnam I had a comfortable feeling that I finally had everything under control. That feeling changed abruptly one evening when I heard a loud pop instantly followed by dirt and shrapnel smashing into the side and roof of my hooch. A mortar had slammed into the earth less than 100 feet from where I sat. Neither I nor anyone else was injured but it made us realize life in a combat zone is very fragile.

It was not until I was about to complete my time in QuangTri and made my final trip to Saigon that I was able to turn in my original MPC and clear my accounts. After several months in the possession of Soldiers living in the field, and almost nine months cooking in the confines of my CONEX container, it was a pretty rancid load of MPC I dumped on the tables at the Central Funding Office. There it was counted by a board of officers and accepted into the accountability of the Finance Officer in charge of that operation. A huge weight was finally lifted from my shoulders and I headed back north to prepare for my departure from Vietnam.

There is much more to this story but, hopefully, I have captured a few of the many experiences associated with C-Day activities and other events experienced during my year in Vietnam. I survived my year there as did all of the wonderful brave young Soldiers in my Finance Section, many of who are close friends to this day. Yet, the experiences we shared pale in comparison to the experiences of many of the fine

Soldiers we paid, especially of those did not make it home. It was an honor to have served them.

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What country overprints appear on British Military authority notes?

ANSWER:

The Overprints of Bulgaria, Greece and France have been reported but they were never issued

for the BMA issues, only being prepared in very low quantities of around 25-50 notes.

Brent Arthurson

ANSWER:

Bulgaria, France, Greece.

The Myers

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EDITORIAL

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First of all I did call Kim and asked is she knew the date for Fest XII. She reported that there was no definite information and that a few Festers had already called

looking for a confirmed date. She did however say that the weekend of March 25 was blocked out but she has not had an official word from Fred. That sounded

the the definite possibility of a maybe. Later on I was actually able to get Fred on his cell phone and he remarked how he felt chided (his word) with respect to my comments in the last Gram.

Now, I would not have used that term, encouraged or motivated come to mind, but what is important here is that the March 25th date was confirmed as the date for Fest XII. If the opinions

of those who expressed a preference were votes, the date would have won by a large margin. Now I know there are some Festers who would have preferred another date, the Bolings come to

mind, but the choice seems logical so as not to cause too many conflicts with holidays and other events.

And, Fred did promise a TWIRR in the near future.

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Dear Editor,

I have to disagree with your comment about the educational talks not conflicting with the club meetings. Both were going on simultaneously all day Saturday. The reason I was not in your and Howard's talk is that I had to be ready to set up the IBNS general meeting as soon as the SPMC meeting was over - which was the same hour as your talk. Thus I had no idea that there was a souvenir card made available to attendees. So, please send me one - \$6 is in the mail today.

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Series 11, No. 1943 Monday, June 28th, 2010

BRAZIL COINAGE,

by Bill Myers

The requirement of nickel for war material had an effect on Brazilian coinage in 1942. The design and size of the coins did not change but the amount of copper in the copper-nickel coins was increased giving the coins a yellow hue when compared to the coins of 1938 and 1940. The obverse of all of the coins features Dr. Getulia Vargas, President of Brazil 1930-1945.

The war created a shortage of consumer goods and affected the ability of Brazil to export goods due to utilization of shipping for wartime priorities. Strategic goods were rationed and a tax placed on consumer products to compensate for lost customs revenue. This led to inflation and a currency reform in 1942. Centavos and cruzeiros replaced the reis at the rate of one cruzeiro equal to 1000 reis. Reis notes were overprinted with cruseiros denominations and new coins in were minted. The 10, 20 and 50 centavos were made of copper-nickel in 1942 and 1943 and aluminum-bronze from 1943 to 1945. The aluminum-bronze coins can be identified by having a darker yellow hue then the copper-nickel coins. Varieties exist. The centavos coins have a left facing bust of Reis Dr. Getulia Vargas and the reverse features the denomination and date The 1, 2 and 5 cruzeiros coin are composed of aluminum-bronze and have a topographical map of Brazil on the obverse and date and denomination on the reverse.

reis	description	mintage
100	17 mm copper-nickel, Getulio Vargas; rx. BRASIL, denom, 1942. scalloped edge	1,285,000
200	19 mm as above	1,966,000
300	21 mm as above	2,020,000
400	23 mm as above	1,496,000

centavos	description	mintage
10	17mm copper-nickel, Getulio Vargas left facing bust;rx. star, denom, date	
	a.1942	3,826,000
	b.1943	13,565,000
10	17mm, aluminum bronze, as above with intiiials; as above with initials	
	a.1943	incl above
	b.1944	12.617.000
	c.1945	24,674,000
10	as above without initials	
	a.1944	incl above
	b.1945	incl above
20	19mm copper-nickel, Getulio Vargas left facing bust;rx. star, denom, date	
	a.1942	3,007,000
	b.1943	3,392,000
20	as above, aluminum bronze	
	a.1943	incl above
	b.1944 varieties with, without initials, straight, curved back 9	12,673,000
	c.1945	61,632,000

50	21mm copper-nickel, Getulio Vargas left facing bust; rx. star, denom, date	
	a.1942	2,358,000
	b.1943	13,392,000
50	as above, aluminum bronze	
	a.1943	incl above
	b.1944	12,102,000
	c.1945	73,222,000
	cruzeiro	
1	23mm aluminum bronze, topographical map of brazil; rx. branch, denom, date	
	a.1942	381,000
	b.1943	2,728,000
	c.1944	3,820,000
	d.1945	32,543,999
2	25mm aluminum bronze, topographical map of brazil; rx. branch, denom, date	
	a.1942	276,000
	b.1943	1,929,000
	c.1944	3,820,000
	d.1945	32,543,999
5	26mm aluminum bronze, topographical map of brazil; rx. branch, denom, date	
	a.1942	115,000
	b.1943	222,000

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What series (more than one) of MPC was the subject of Col Henry Neill's recent feature article?

Answer next time.

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ANSWER TO PREVIOUS QUESTION

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For what purpose were validation board certificates issued?

Answer:

Many of the German Bonds issued before the war were looted at the end of the war, making it difficult for bond owners to cash in their bonds. The Validation Board Certificates were issued as evidence of a legitimate bond and were affixed to bonds validated by the Board.

The Myers

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EDITORIAL

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There has been no further information regarding Jane Talso's hospitalization. We can only hope and pray that she is recovering and will be well soon. I'm sure Warner would appreciate some emails.

Dr. Stefano Poddi has sent in a request (see Mail Call) for information on India POW coupons. There are a number of our subscribers whom I would think would have information which would be helpful to him in his research. He is not a Gram subscriber and input from our readers can be sent here to the Gram so we can all learn. He provides an email address and information can also be posted directly to his website.

I enjoyed reading Henry Neill's article and I would solicit comments from our readers. From the dates given it should be fairly easy to identify which series of MPC he spoke about.

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I have just learned that Jane Talso, Fester Tiger Lilly and wife of Fester Warner Talso was hospitalized and had a serious operation last week. Your thoughts and prayers will be appreciated I am sure.

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Thank you,

Fred Schwan

Good afternoon Mr. Schwan,

I am a scholar of Italian paper money and I am friend of Pam West that given me your email.

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Thanks
James
[Dear James - The Ho Chi Minh Trail Coupons souvenir card and other
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<http://photos.papermoneyworld.net> - Ed.]

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A regular email update from the Military Officers' Assn of America
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"DFAS Halts Savings Bond Allotments
The Defense Finance and Accounting Service is stopping all Savings Bonds
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Joe Boling

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Editor's Note: Joe Boling sent in a listing of lots from the Summer Seminar YN Auction which may be of interest to our readers. It arrived a short time ago and is time sensitive, so if you are interested, get your bids in.

TWIRR #49
FDS
by Fred Schwan

To an old artilleryman (and I know that there is at least one other out there, but not as old as the one that I have in mind) the term FDS makes him (or nowadays him/her) think of Fire Direction Center, but of course that is FDC. Yes, I know to the stamp collectors FDC is First Day Cover. In this case that is getting close to home! Finance Disbursing Sections were very close to the numismatic action of World War II. They were the squad-size units that carried--and paid--the cash. Basically all of the Allied military lire, marks, francs, shillings, yen, and kroner that we have or seek passed through an FDS. Jim Downey and I have both written about FDSs before. I am compiling a list of WWII FDS. That is an interesting project in itself. That project got a break yesterday. Somehow or another I found an absolutely great site with thousands of covers. They are nicely cataloged and many are illustrated. I sorted the WWII covers for the word finance. I came up with the list below. The owner of the site is also the author of a very informative book on collecting historic covers. Not only is it a good book, but you can read and use it for free on his site before (or instead of) buying his book.

Here is the list of what I found:

2ndFDS 11-22-1945 Le Havre, France - Camp Philip Morris
137thFDS 12-6-1945 Le Havre, France - Camp Philip Morris
21st FDS APO 230 FougerollesduPlessis, France 1945
89thFDS APO 667 Nancy 1945
177thFDS APO 927, Registered Sydney, Australia 1945
34thFDS APO 782 Naples. Italy 3-16-44

20thFDS APO Saline, Italy 19-9-1944
116thFDS APO 121B Foxley, England 3-20-1945
36thFDS APO 772 Marseille, France 1945
89thFDS APO 667 Nancy, France 1945
27thFDS APO 667 Nancy, France 1945
56thFDS APO 230 Br. Unit 1 Dueren, Germany 1945
38thFDS APO 303 Bad Neuenahr, Germany 1945
232ndFDS AP.O. 718 Cebu, Philippines 1945
175thFDS APO [920], Registered Biak Island, New Guinea
170thFDS APO 927, Registered Sydney, Australia 1945
37thFDS APO 375 Leghorn, Italy 1945
195thFDS APO 715 Br. Bacolod, Negros Islands, Philippines 1945
28thFDS APO 49 Rome, Italy 9-16-45
28thFDS APO 49 Florence, Italy 9-30-45
178thFDS APO 928 Otaru, Japan 1945
184thFDS APO 75 Br. Manila, Philippines 1945

I highly recommend that you go to <http://www.postalhistory.com>. I looked under war bonds and only found one not-very-interesting cover, but under Alaska I found MANY very interesting covers (remember these searches were within the WWII category. Help me resist, please!

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What series (more than one) of MPC was the subject of Col Henry Neill's recent feature article?

ANSWER:

COL Neill landed in Vietnam in July 1968 when Series 641 was in use. It was withdrawn Oct 1968 and replaced with series 661.

That was withdrawn Aug 1969 and replaced by series 681 so it was the issue in reserve.
The Myers

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EDITORIAL

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Fred's TWIRR reminds me that I am upset with Neil Shafer. Well, upset is a strong word, and when you think about it how can you get upset with Neil. Let

me explain.

At Memphis I met Neil on the bourse and after the hellos the old brown briefcase

gets opened up and some items are removed and I am asked to look. This has

happened

each time we have met for I don't know how many shows. Usually there are not a

lot of notes, but a sufficient variety to get me interested. This time there

was an uncirculated

piece from the Mexican Revolution (PS465) with a nice engraving of a locomotive.

Now I do not collect Mexican Revolutionary notes but this one was under \$10 and

it had a locomotive!

How could I resist. I remarked to Neil that I enjoy reading his articles in

Bank Note Reporter and usually develop an interest in the notes he talks about.

To date, I have been able to

resist starting new collections, but I'm not sure I have the willpower this

time. I should also confess that I just ordered Cory Frampton's new book on

Mexican paper Money, so

I guess I'll be looking for revolutionary pieces. Also of interest, thanks to

Neil, are Spanish Civil War pieces notes from the Mafeking siege, but those are

not the only siege notes

from the Boer War; those will most likely be the subject of a feature article.

Now back to Fred's TWIRR. One of the attendees at the Memphis Mini Fest was

Bruce Potter who had quite a number of covers (FDC and otherwise) from Nazi

Germany all

nicely displayed in a large binder. I took a quick look and was impressed and

would have liked to talk with him further. I would like his email address if anyone out there might have it as I do not know if he subscribes to the Gram. I do have a very modest collection of covers, and now, thanks to Fred, I have a website where I can look for a lot more. Fred asks for help in resisting; I can see why!

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Week #1 YN auction, ANA summer seminar. The following lots of potential interest to gramsters are offered. Bids may be submitted by email NLT 1700 MDT Wednesday 30 June, to joeboling@aol.com, or by telephone to 317-508-6786 NLT 1830 MDT same date. Be aware that Boling sometimes does not hear his phone, so do not leave a message - call back.
Lot F30 - \$5 Confederate States of America note dated 17 Feb 1864 with handling and wear.
Lot F33 - hobo nickel with a depiction an armadillo carved by John Dorvsa.
Lot F37 - two pieces from a total mintage of ten of the 2010 ANA summer seminar banquet token struck in .999 silver.
Lot F44 - Hungry? Get rid of your pangs with this lovely combination of Australian delicacies. After purchase, you will be the envy of all your breakfast pals with your Vegemite-covered toast and chocolate TimTam cookies.
[No doubt donated by Tony James and NikSharplin, in residence this summer.]
Lot F65 - 1889 British penny skillfully hand-engraved in hobo nickel style to a man in a cap on pebbled fields. [Sounds like trench art to me.]
Lot F73 - group of six Civil War patriotic cards. Very cool designs of classic Americana.
Lot F78 - 1935A Hawaii \$1 short snorter, Christmas Island to Hickam Field, Honolulu. Signed by a large number of people.
Lot S14 - book, "Traditional Money on Yap and Palau" by Charles Opitz, 2004.
Joe Boling

Dear Editor,
Reminder - Colorado Springs Mini-Fest Saturday July 3rd at 1 PM in the
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Show. I will try to get a PA announcement made when we start. Series 107
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Summer Seminar Mini Fest,
by Bill Myers

The Colorado Springs Mini-Fest was called to order at 1300 on 3 JULY 2010.

There were 14 in attendance and it was multinational(Canada and Australia) and

multi-gender. There was one non-fester, the room-mate of Tony James and NikSharplin. He just purchased a subscription to the gram as well as WWII Remembered and the Canadian Bond book. Show and tell was started by

Larry Gibbs, who arranged the mini-fest. He presented in proxy for Warner Talso

who was unable to attend the mini-fest due to an emergency. He had a scan of the

Seamans Overseas Service note Warner had recently purchased. Warner had presented his show and tell to Bill Myers and this was documented in a photograph which was shown. Larry had a Series 521 MPC 50 cents replacement note

which he obtained from a client. Next was John Regitko who showed the United

States of Canada notes he passed out at the fest this year as well as a set of

ANA Seminar notes and a set of "Invitation to Fest XII" notes. He also discussed

some varieties of fest challenge coins he has noted. Next was Dick Dunn who

showed the Canadian Bond book that he and two other esteemed colleagues have

written. Tony James presented a Hawaii \$1 and 50 francs AM short snorters, 3rd

squadron AFC chit and a France Bon WWI note. NikSharplin presented a POW trench

art bracelet with Australian coins attached and some South African internment

camp tokens. The Myers had a calendar medal from Germany with important dates on

it,including Hitler's birthday and a medal from Denmark from Nov 1945, which was

for relief provided to France after the war. Ken Hallenbeck had a rectangular,

aluminum WWII US Bond medal. Brett Irick had a Philippines 5 cents JIM which quickly became a short snorter. John Petrow, who was new to the group, had a silk map from WWII. Dave Frank had British POW notes. Andrew Keene had a set of Australian tokens and a short snorter that was on a Mexican note. Fred Schwan displayed his latest piece of trench art - a hand made love token on an Australian coin. Joe Boling had a soldier's deposit receipt. All present received a stamp-validated series 091 \$25 note. The face had a stamp with pictures of Fred Schwan and Joe Boling, commemorating the 10th year of ANA Military Numismatic Seminars. The back had a stamp noting the 2010 scholarship winners - Tony James, John Regitko and Dick Dunn, with Australian and Canadian flags pictured, as well. Participants also received a Series 107 \$50 Military Mini-Fest certificate, which featured a vignette of Liberty on the face and the seals of all the military services on the back. All notes were individually serial numbered. Two short snorters were created on a France 2 lire AMC and a Mexican note, and were signed by all present. The meeting was adjourned at 1400, as the Seminar participants headed to register and get ready for their week of Military Numismatics.

TWIRR #50
by Fred Schwan

I felt badly last week about not being at the Summer Seminar. This is our tenth military summer seminar (sorry ANA). Each previous year, I have been out here for both weeks. Because of my own failing this year, I was not part of the first

week. Next year I will schedule something for week one. Indeed, I have several interesting ideas.

It has been a complicated trip getting here. Judy and I went to Washington State where we visited some family (both blood and collecting). I had fun with both sets of family, but I only have a report for you on the collecting family visit. Even that will have to wait.

Today I want to tell you about the rest of the odyssey of getting to Camp Adna Wilde at Colorado Springs. I was more or less stuck without easy transportation from south west Colorado to CAW. I knew that Bill Myers was heading to the Colorado Springs Coin Club show that is held on the weekend between the two sessions of the seminar. From there some of the event looked like the Key Stone Cops. Bill missed my first telephone message explaining where I was, but he received the e mail message that I would like to make a road trip of it to CAW. He later reported that he too thought that it would be a good idea, but just could not take the time to drive from Arizona to Port Clinton thence to CAW in spite of the fact that he too thought that it would be fun. Eventually, we got that part straightened out and he went out of his way to pick

me up in Pagosa Springs, CO where I was staying with my brother and sister in law. It is really out in the sticks. No cell phones, no line of sight to another living human being (lots of living things, but not people). Anyway, that

part of it worked out just great. Champion Myers and his trusty driver and coin digger Kathy. I took them on a tour of the beautiful log lodge in the forest. When we were on the balcony of the second floor surveying the forest, I took out my challenge coin. They both failed the challenge--but that is not the end of it. We had a great drive. We talked about many things, came up with some ideas. Bill

will be consulting with the community on some of the things, for others we (he) will have to work alone. Back to the journey. Kathy and Bill dropped me at the college in time of the closing reception and banquet for the first week although I did not attend the banquet. I was juiced to see lots of friends at the receptions. Tony James and NicSharplin from a southern penal colony, Dan and Kathy Freeland were on their way out of town so early the next morning that they were going to miss the coin show. That does not seem like the Dan and Kathy that I know. Neil Shafer

and Andrew Keen were delighted with their class. Fester Cliff Mishler was there
and of course the seminar/ANA staff was there. I had a nice chat with Barbara Gregory and others too. I had to use Joe's car for an emergency trip to the show hall to insert an exhibit. Believe it or not Joe and I were up more or less early to head to the show. An oil change and emergency stop at Fed Ex Office for some printing then to the show. There Kathy and Bill were ready for me. They paid off their debt to me with a two liter bottle of diet cola. I was then stuck with carrying that thing all day. That included a two mile trek to the local Apple store for some consultation. Correct that, two miles (ok, maybe one) back from the Apple store.

I got David Seelye and his girl friend (please do not tell his wife) to take me to the Apple store. The walk was on the way back. I only found a few things at the show later in the afternoon. At the reception for instructors, Joe was at his best recruiting Festers. Andrew Keene came over to the room tonight to look at some things that Joe had. A mini Fest nearly broke out. They are now debating some fine points of collecting so I have to go set them straight.

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It is good to learn that Jane Talso is home and on the mend. Thanks to Bill and Kathy Myers for the update.

I have yet to attend the summer Seminar and after reading Bill's report and getting some details from other attendees, next year is a must. It sounds like a Fest atmosphere which lasts for a week instead of a weekend. The opportunity to do some research and to use the ANA Library is also very appealing. I should start making plans now. (It would be appreciated if someone would send in scans of the notes issued at the Minifest.)

Howard's letter about the overprinted Vietnamese note made me a little jealous that I didn't get to Daryl's table a little earlier than I did. I would venture a guess the note is some type of advertising or propaganda piece connected with Life Magazine.

Perhaps Herb Friedman or one of our subscribers can shed a little light on the note and its purpose.

Joe Boling writes of another auction; bids must be in by Wednesday the 7th.

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Dear Editor,

We stopped by to see Jane and Warner Talso in their Albuquerque home. Jane is recovering from her surgery nicely and looks good. They send their thanks for all of the E-mails from the gramsters. The thoughts are appreciated. The bonds for the summer seminar have been transferred to a secure carrier for transport to Colorado Springs. The summer seminar attendees need to start saving their MFC so they can buy a bond, it is their patriotic duty.

The Myers

Dear Editor,

Lots submitted to YN auction, week #2 (lot numbers not yet known). Bids may be submitted by email NLT 1700 MDT Wednesday 7 July to joeboling@aol.com, or by telephone to 317-508-6786 NLT 1830 MDT same date. Be aware that Boling sometimes

does not hear his phone, so do not leave a message - call back. MORE LOTS WILL

LIKELY BE PUBLICIZED WHEN THE CATALOG IS PUBLISHED TUESDAY.

A Partial specimen set, Allied fest certificates series 1944, 1 crown through 75

crowns (pence denominations missing), numbered A00000000A and #2/2 CFS (the latter in pen).

B. Unclaimed travel pay for AWOL student in military class (sealed envelope, contents unknown).

C. Scrap found on floor of Great Lakes Banknote Co, Colorado Springs satellite

plant (sealed envelope, contents unknown, but recovered during production of AFC

crowns).

D. Leaflets, Desert Storm (Gulf War I): five different 25 dinar note leaflets, seven different non-currency leaflets (three pictorial), brought back from

Turkey in 1991. Not modern reproductions.

E. Mitchell Fest Currency Board (Milwaukee, Wisc) 10 mils, 10 October 2009,

three pieces serials 0032, 0045, 0046, unsigned remainders. Spaces for signatures of Boling and Schwan (speakers at that event) - courtesy signatures negotiable.

F. Same as previous lot, but serials 0047-0049.
Joe Boling

Dear Editor,

Of course you are upset with me, and you have every right to be so. I keep

trying to enlarge your vast potential of collecting a whole lot more than you do

now because you have a true collector's feeling about so much of this stuff, and

you keep vainly trying to stave off the inevitable fall into a wider collecting

base. You can't help yourself and I am certainly no help in curbing your collecting appetite. Being upset with me is thus a natural outgrowth of my

articles plus the notes I might have with me at times. Please go right ahead and be upset, I'm used to it! Roger, of course it's all said with a big smile and a fervent wish that you take only those pathways to collecting that really interest you. By the way, the Spanish Civil War notes date from 1936-38 and do not have anything to do with the Boer War- you put them together in the editorial. It doesn't matter when or where they are from, they are still great pieces of history.

Neil Shafer.

[Dear Neil, I missed putting in a comma between references to the Spanish Civil War and the Boer War, so it looked like I connected them; thanks for the correction - Ed.]

Dear Editor,

While at the Memphis International Paper Money Show, Daryl Spelbring, a world paper money dealer and Navy veteran of the Vietnam War, gave me a note. When I looked at the face side, it was a common Pick-R3/Daniel-U87, but when I flipped it over to the back, there were two over stamps on it! The upper left over stamp has " This year's Christmas bonus is cashable in Saigon - after the revolution. Courtesy - LIFE , HongKong," and the bottom over stamp has "The North Vietnamese, it seems, have both the time and the money" This is completely new to me and I am wondering if any of you have seen or heard about it.

Howard Daniel

[The images are on the website -

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Editor's Note: Today we feature three Summer Seminar related reports.

Seminar Report,
by Dave Frank

The 2010 ANA Summer Seminar classes got under way on Sunday. There are three in

the beginning Military Numismatics Seminar and three in the advanced. Dick Dunn, John Regitko, and David Liu are in the beginning class and Tony James, Andrew Keene, and Dave Frank are in the advanced. Class started with introductions. However it was necessary to issue a gag order for John Regitko during introductions so that they would not last the entire 4 hours. The next order of business was hanging a new Army Navy Service E flag. The next business

was the highly anticipated pay call. Since David Liu is new so training was needed and conducted by Joe and Fred. Pay was issued in Pence and Crowns. By Monday morning the exchange rate was \$1 to 2 Crowns. The classes were

then divided with Fred teaching the beginners and Joe working with the advanced. Each advanced student had to pick a topic to research and present to both classes on Thursday afternoon. Tony James and NikSharplin presented an outstanding bull session Sunday night on Australian Internment issues both paper

an metal. There were many new discovery pieces shown including a first design for the Hay notes and a printers proof of the 2 Shillings note. Also show and discussed were issues for Camp Harvey a POW camp that held Italians. Some camp chits tat are the only ones know were also shown It would be great to have it presented at Fest or maybe we could all go to Australia for a mini fest. Overall the weather has been nice and everyone is having great fun meeting new friends here.

Seminar Report,
by Andrew Keene

What a whirlwind of a week it has been and I cant believe it is already over!

Shortly after arriving in Colorado Springs (luggage-less) it was already time for the opening ceremony where I met up with numerous fellow YNs, ANA staff, club members, etc. Instructors were recognized and I had to deliver a few remarks about the auction (as auction head). As many of you know (or dont know), Neil Shafer and I co-taught the class The Wonderful World of Paper Money so the two of us met later in the day to go

over the class. The class consisted of 6 students (including 3 festers- Kathy and Dan Freeland and Tony James). Over the course of the week we covered everything from emergency issues to error notes. We eventually switched classes with Joe Boling where I gave a workshop of anti-counterfeiting devices found in polymer notes. I believe everyone had a good time and I especially enjoyed Tony James 30-minute talk on Australian numismatics of WW2. I am always impressed with the caliber of items donated to the auction and the lots received Sunday night were no exception. Everything from rare souvenir spoons to inadequately inked \$20 FRNs made their way into the auction. The auction realized roughly \$19,000 and an additional \$2,200 was raised at the banquet bringing the total up to \$21,000! Thank you to all festers who placed proxy bids or bid live! The rest of the week was a blur. Some highlights included meeting Emily Silver, the new ANA Education Assistant and NicSharplin (Australian collector), and also attending Numismatic Jeopardy, which concluded with watching former YN Greg

Lyon compete in an episode of (the real) Jeopardy last month! Upon arriving at Thursday evenings banquet I quickly noticed Fred Schwan was in

attendance (most people had their challenge coin in close reach). Just as noticeable were Nic and Tonys personalized shirts, which on the back read something to the effect of Convicted Military Numismatist. I believe one of these shirts is in the auction this week! Im sure Joe will be posting a listing

of lots in the next gram!

The week ended with the Colorado Springs Coin Show, which always results in a

good time. I found numerous items to add to my collection including two 1946

dated IBM ADP punch card style checks- both for armed forces leave and both for

obscure amounts (3c and 22c). Saturdays show also hosted as mentioned by the

Myers a mini-fest, which had, Festers from three countries (USA, Australia,

Canada) in attendance! I showed three canteen tokens from the YWCA (inAustralia)

of which I found on the bourse floor. I also played off finding a rare Australian internment camp token in a junk box. Only 4-6 known!

Unfortunately

the piece really did not come from a junk box but rather from the private collection of NicSharplin. Not sure if Fred bought the story or not

Hope to send a report for the upcoming week!

Seminar Report,

by Bill and Kathy Myers

We traveled to Colorado Springs to go to the coin show, attend the minifest and

renew friendships with festers attending the ANA summer seminar, especially

those from south of the equator. We are staying at Peterson AFB and went to

the Peterson Air and Space Museum. Despite the title it is a small museum, one

big room and a gift shop and conference room. There a significant number of

aircraft and rockets on display outside. Inside there are displays about the

history of the base. There is a nice display of POW items including a home made

chess set, red cross package and a model of a POW camp in Germany made by the US

POWs. Numismatically there were a 1 and 5 Italian AMC lire notes. There is also

a rolled up 18 note short snorter, the only note I could identify was a \$1 silver certificate. There was also another strip of 6 notes but there were no

signatures. It was a nice museum. Admission is free but you need an ID card to get on the base unless clearance is obtained prior to the visit.

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CHAMPIONSHIP QUESTION CORNER

Questions for this space from subscribers and always welcome and eagerly solicited.

The only requirement is that you also provide the answer!

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Edmund Blampied designed what notes?

Answer next time.

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ANSWER TO PREVIOUS QUESTION

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What Military numismatics collectible was issued in the Netherlands as result of the Status of Forces Agreements stemming from World War II?

Answer:

Gasoline ration coupons
The Myers

Bill also responded with an addendum to the previous question:

And the serial numbers would be?

Answer:

39, 52, 69, 100, 114

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EDITORIAL

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Joe Boling has sent in another list of lots from the Summer Seminar.

Reading

his description of "Vegemite" makes me think of that old US Military standby

Chipped Beef on Toast, commonly referred to as "SOS". It sounds like the two

"dishes"

are something for a "sophisticated pallet" I shouldn't really criticize as I

have never had the desire to try either, although I am told the "SOS" is delightful by those with whom I have had the pleasure of sharing breakfast

with at various shows. I think I'll stick to my poached eggs and grits.

Of great interest is Roger Burdette's question about specially marked currency in

the Philippines. Now we are aware of Series 1941 "Aged" notes, The Aviator Packet notes and the series 1936 issues which are distinguished only by their serial numbers, but these are Philippine notes printed by the United States and Mr. Burdette is asking about US notes. I know of no US issue with a special stamp on the back, unless the reference is to the "HAWAII"overprints. But, they were not intended to leave the Territory, although I would imagine some did make it to the other areas of the Pacific Theater. If you have any information or ideas on

this subject please send them into the Gram. I'll send Roger Burdette an email to tell him he is on the Gram subscription list and ask him to share his research with us.

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Dear Editor,
Additional ANA session two YN auction lots of potential interest to gramsters:
Lot F5: 1937D hobo nickel carved by John Crater titled "The Mentor." carving on obv of two en facing right. Rev has engraving ANASS 2010 on the bison's body, carver's initials bottom left.
Lot F18: two pieces from a total mintage of ten of the 2010 ANA summer seminar banquet token struck in .999 silver by the Badger Mint (Cuhaj/Paonessa).
Lot F29: banknote folder formerly belonging to Adna G Wilde Jr. Contains Adna's business card and autograph.
Lot F30: two packages of Australian biscuits (cookies to us) - TimTams and Anzacs.
Lot F35: tube of Vegemite, concentrated yeast extract. Useful for sealing driveways, spreading on toast, or becoming an instant Australian.
Lot F39: misc occupation notes and certificates [believed to be from

2010 Colorado Springs Coin Show minifest], including an example of the
dodo
dollar. [Think John Regitko's occupation of Port Clinton notes
distributed at
Fest XI.]
Lot F73: four medals. USS Charlotte Silent Stinger medal featuring a
nuclear
submarine. 1893 Columbian Expo Treasury Dept medal. 1962 Century 21 Expo
medal.
ANA Portland Ron Landis medal for judges and exhibitors (massive cast
pewter).
The six lots described in the previous gram are still in the sale, un-
combined
or divided.
Joe Boling

Dear Editor,
During research on the fall of the Philippines in 1942, several reliable
sources state the following, or something similar:
Under direction of the Office of Foreign Assets Control in the
Philippinesmost

of the United States currency circulating in the Philippines bore a
special
stamp on the back making it useless to the Japanese for transactions in
foreign
markets.

I am writing in hopes that some of your readers will have more
information on
this, and/ or photos of the overprinted notes suitable for publication
Thanks in advance.

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Dear Esteemed Editor,
> >I drove up to the American Philatelic Society (APS) headquarters in
Bellefonte,

> >PA Tuesday morning. I had warned them that I estimated my drive would
take me
> >until about lunch time. But I was on the DC Beltway at 5AM and
arrived at 9AM!
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> >A little before lunch so the staff was a "little" surprised to see me.
Never
> >call me "late for an appointment."
> >Barb Johnson and Ken Martin (president) arranged for me to acquire
four exhibit

> >philatelic exhibit panels to donate to the Special Warfare Museum at
Fort
> >Bragg. They were waiting for me at the loading dock! Man, they are
heavy but I
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> >got them into my Honda CRV.
> >Then I donated a copy of my Socialist Republic of Viet Nam Coins &
Currency
> >catalog to their library because it has a postal money order in it and
some
> >philatelic-numismatic covers too. While waiting for the donation
process to be

> >done, the librarian, Ellen Peachey went to her computer to look up my
interests

> >in SE Asian postal financial instruments. There were several hits but
they all

> >had my name attached to them!
> >So Ellen took me to the SE Asia part of the library and I looked
through the
> >references for about 30 minutes. I saw a LOT of references covering
the
> >Japanese occupation of SE Asia during WWII!!! This is an area that
can be
> >researched in this library! And I need to come back to flip each and
every page
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> >in their SE Asia references to find postal financial instruments
because they
> >are not listed in any table of contents or indexes I looked at, but
one of you
> >WWII-oriented Gramsters will need to do the research on WWII.
> >Then I was presented an invoice for \$150 for the panels and I paid
with a
> >check, By the way, the one and only business that used to make the
panels went

> >out of business and the APS bought the business and brought its assets
into the

> >society. So the APS is the only place in the USA where you can
acquire the
> >panels. But they are selling only the damaged ones, but I am sure a
metal shop

> >at Fort Bragg can do some very simple repairs and add devices so the
panels can

> >be hung on the wall instead of on easels that are normally used at
stamps shows

> >and conventions.
> >On the drive back to the DC Beltway, it took only 3 and 1/2 hours!
Most of it
> >was downhill so I am thinking my speedometer might have gone over the
speed
> >limit every once in awhile. But I had my CB on during the entire time
and the
> >truckers on my route (I-495, I-270, I-70, I-76 and I-99) keep me
informed to the
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> >locations of the law and I did likewise for them. I put the panels in
my condo

> >storage room and now need to schedule some time at Fort Bragg.
> >The Master Sergeant Daniel

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Series 11, No. 1947 Friday, July 9th, 2010

Fester ANA National Award Winner

At the closing banquet of the ANA Summer Seminar, Executive Director Larry

Shepherd made a special presentation. Here is the text of the presentation:

Our 2010 Young Numismatist of the Year has never let his youth stand in the way of commanding respect in this hobby. Just last week, at the tender age of 14,

Andrew Keene became by far the youngest instructor in Summer Seminar history

when he teamed with Neil Shafer to teach "The Wonderful World of Paper Money."

Andrew is a member of 19 numismatic organizations and holds offices in four of

them. He sits on four committees, including the International Bank Note Society

YN Committee. He has won one first place award for exhibiting and delivered

talks to his school, coin club and at Summer Seminar, where his 2009 Bull Session provided 50 ways in which clubs can increase their YN membership.

Andrew published four articles last year, winning the Daniel Parker Literary

Award for "History in Your Hands," which appeared in the Central States Numismatic Society publication [The Centinel].

Andrew also has a life outside of numismatics, and has been very active in the

Fox Point-Bayside School District, where he serves on the Principal Advisory

Team. He also found time to organize a school-wide talent show to raise \$2,500

for the Make-A-Wish Foundation.

Andrew, the future is yours. It has been our pleasure to get to know you at

Summer Seminar and we look forward to great things from you in the years to

come. Congratulations.

Andrew accepted the award--a custom (and beautiful) medal from Larry Shepherd to

a standing ovation from the crowd. In addition to the achievements mentioned by

Shepherd, Andrew was the auction leader for the YN auction for session one. The

auction raised over \$20,000 for future scholarships for YNs to the summer seminar. In conjunction with the second week \$40,000 was raised. Festers around

the world also helped in this fund raising by donating items, bidding on and

buying various items (including a tube of ever popular Vegemite from down under).

Andrew is a graduate of both the basic and advanced military numismatics summer

seminar classes. He is a Fester having attended MPCFest XI where he gave a presentation on Japanese invasion money (JIM) overprints.

TWIRR #51

Camp Adne Wilde closes for season
by Fred Schwan

This was Summer Seminar ten for Joe and me. It was a great--if tiring week--for both of us and I believe the students too. Hopefully, they will sound off with their thoughts on the matter. Not only would we like to hear praise, but we will be equally happy to hear constructive criticism. The biggest disappointment was of course the unexpected illness of Jane Talso and the family sick leave status of Warner Talso who had been at the preceding nine seminars. If there is any silver lining in this situation it is that Warner and Andrew would have both been in the advanced class and Warner may have found before I could a very nice US War bond in Andrew's stuff. I will try to remember to tell you more about the bond later. The plan for the advanced class is to prepare a presentation on a favorite topic to be given to the basic class on the last afternoon. These presentations have always been interesting, and today's were no exception. Indeed, they were excellent. I learned from all three of them and avenues for further research were developed. If you live in near Dave Frank, Tony James or Andrew Keene and have not done so, get them to your local clubs soonest to give their presentations. Add NikSharplan to that list because he (with Tony) gave a great presentation to the entire student body on Australian camp money. For the second year retired Allied Fest certificates were distributed to the guests at the banquet. Last year most of the notes were happily taken, but a notable few were left behind. Certainly they were grabbed by keen Festers, but this year was different. I did not see a single note left on a table. Perhaps everyone has figure us out. Can it be? Possibly some of them will turn up on

eBay tonight.

I have heard from several collectors that they intend to come to the seminar

next year. Great! At this point I suggest that you start surveying the field and

find the various scholarships that are available. Many regional and state organizations, not to mention local clubs give scholarships. From my view, it is

your duty to try to get one of those scholarships before you even think about

applying for the military community scholarships.

By the way, I think that we can (and should) be very proud of the community

contribution to the seminar in the way of scholarships. Basically, I think that

we have funded thirty scholarships. Perhaps Dan and Kathy know for sure. In

addition to these scholarships, we have contributed about \$1000 a year to the

ANA YN scholarships in the way of donated material to the auctions and then

bidding on them. I can say for sure that I am proud of all of us. It is not for

me to say, but I will, thank you.

Report of auction results, Camp Adna Wilde Weeks One and Two,
by Joe Boling

Following are the results of auction lots previously reported in or submitted to the MPCGram:

Week one - three email bids were received, none successful.

Lot F30 - \$5 Confederate States of America note dated 17 Feb 1864 with [severe]

handling and wear. Sold for \$200 and was donated to a YN.

Lot F33 - hobo nickel with a depiction an armadillo carved by John Dorvsa. Sold

for \$550, but the buyer reneged - he said he thought he was bidding on Ricardo's

hat (which was the next lot, and since both lots were sold by Ricardo in Spanish, it was hard to figure out what the bid even was). Sold next day in a

private transaction to a fester for \$70.

Lot F37 - two pieces from a total mintage of ten of the 2010 ANA summer seminar

banquet token struck in .999 silver. Sold for \$160.

Lot F44 - Hungry? Get rid of your pangs with this lovely combination of Australian delicacies. After purchase, you will be the envy of all your

breakfast pals with your Vegemite-covered toast and chocolate TimTam cookies.

[Donated by Tony James and Nik Sharplin, in residence this summer.] The lot was

divided and sold for \$45 per item.

Lot F65 - 1889 British penny skillfully hand-engraved in hobo nickel style to a

man in a cap on pebbled fields. Sold for \$70 and was donated to a YN.

Lot F73 - group of six Civil War patriotic cards. Very cool designs of classic

Americana. Sold for \$130.

Lot F78 - 1935A Hawaii \$1 short snorter, Christmas Island to Hickam Field,

Honolulu. Signed by a large number of people. Sold for \$115 to a military seminarian [included a stop in Samoa].

Lot S14 - book, "Traditional Money on Yap and Palau" by Charles Opitz, 2004.

Sold for \$10.

Week two lots published in the gram and for which one email and three phone bids

were received.

A (lot F86). Partial specimen set, Allied fest certificates series 1944, 1 crown

through 75 crowns (pence denominations missing), numbered A00000000A and #2/2

CFS (the latter in pen). Sold for \$40.

B (lot F90). Unclaimed travel pay for AWOL student in military class (sealed

envelope, contents unknown). Sold for \$50 to a Fester phone bidder (the only

successful bid from remote festers).

C (lot F84). Scrap found on floor of Great Lakes Banknote Co, Colorado Springs

satellite plant (sealed envelope, contents unknown, but recovered during production of AFC crowns). Sold for \$50.

D (lot F81). Leaflets, Desert Storm (Gulf War I): five different 25 dinar note

leaflets, seven different non-currency leaflets (three pictorial), brought back

from Turkey in 1991. Not modern reproductions. Sold for \$70.

E (lot F91). Mitchell Fest Currency Board (Milwaukee, Wisc) 10 mils, 10 October

2009, three pieces serials 0032, 0045, 0046, unsigned remainders. Spaces for

signatures of Boling and Schwan (speakers at that event) - courtesy signatures

negotiable. Sold for \$10.

F (lot F82). Same as previous lot, but serials 0047-0049. Sold for \$40.

Week 2 - lots submitted to the gram but not published:

Lot F5: 1937D hobo nickel carved by John Crater titled "The Mentor." carving on

obv of two men facing right. Rev has engraving ANASS 2010 on the bison's body,

carver's initials bottom left. Sold for \$200.

Lot F18: two pieces from a total mintage of ten of the 2010 ANA summer seminar banquet token struck in .999 silver by the Badger Mint (Cuhaj/Paonessa). Sold for \$130.

Lot F29: banknote folder formerly belonging to Adna G Wilde Jr. Contains Adna's business card and autograph. Sold for 85 (it actually included several business cards, for different ANA positions that Adna held).

Lot F30: two packages of Australian biscuits (cookies to us) - TimTams and Anzacs. Sold for \$125.

Lot F35: tube of Vegemite, concentrated yeast extract. Useful for sealing driveways, spreading on toast, or becoming an instant Australian. Lot was amended to include the right to specify who would have to eat some of the Vegemite. Sold for \$100 to a YN whose selection for eating declined to play ball. Tiny Cross stepped up to fulfill the specifications of the lot (he same Tiny Cross for whom the Camp Adna Wilde canteen had been named earlier in the week - the Tiny Cross canteen).

Lot F39: misc occupation notes and certificates [believed to be from 2010 Colorado Springs Coin Show minifest], including an example of the dodo dollar. [Think John Regitko's "occupation of Port Clinton" notes distributed at Fest XI.] sold for \$30.

Lot F73: four medals. USS Charlotte Silent Stinger medal featuring a nuclear submarine. 1893 Columbian Expo Treasury Dept medal. 1962 Century 21 Expo medal. ANA Portland Ron Landis medal for judges and exhibitors (massive cast pewter). The lot was divided, placing the Portland medal in lot 73A. The three remaining medals sold for \$45 (the USS Charlotte medal turned out to be a challenge coin, and the Columbian Expo medal was a very heavily worn pocket piece).

Lot F73A (see above). Sold for \$100 and was donated to a YN who turned out to have attended the show as a two-year-old.

The total of weeks one and two was \$40,000.

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CHAMPIONSHIP QUESTION CORNER

Questions for this space from subscribers and always welcome and eagerly solicited.

The only requirement is that you also provide the answer!

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Edmund Blampied designed what notes?

Answer next time.

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ANSWER TO PREVIOUS QUESTION

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Since we had another glitch, this question will stay up to give subscribers a chance to answer

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EDITORIAL

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Congratulations and a well done are certainly in order for Andrew Keene. At Fest XI he participated, and I believe organized, a mini JIM Fest where those of us who collect JIM were able to compare overprints. Then his commitment to collecting was in evidence as was his knowledge of the subject matter. I was surprised to learn of his nineteen association memberships (five more than he is years old!), but not of his dedication to our hobby. This fact is evidence one you spend a few minutes with him. His selection as YN of the year is well deserved.

I was going to comment on my surprise that no one responded or commented on Roger Burdette's request for information, but I can now see the reason. We had another glitch and as you have already seen, Wednesday's Gram didn't make it out on time and you have probably just finished reading it. Let's look at the positive side. You have been caught up on all the Seminar news in one day.

I watched the video Joe talks about in his letter and despite the fact that I saw nothing numismatic, it is cool, especially to you pilots out there, so take a look.

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Dear Esteemed Editor,
The next Noble Auction of July 27-29, 2010 again has a ton of good stuff.
I
found WWII and military pieces of many other wars in almost every
category. I
know many Gramsters will find something in this auction
at http://www.noble.com.au/auctions/browse_cat.php?sale=94.
The Master Sergeant Daniel

Dear Editor
I presume all Gramsters are aware that Tom's [Warburton] collection will
go on
the block in London in early October, if not, consider this an early
warning so
you can chat-up your bank manager well in advance.
Tom's collection of World War I & II and related currency is legend. He
was a
collectors' collector with a magpie eye for anything related to the war
years.
His collection ended up housed in twenty-five albums. In it expensive
items
jostled cheek by jowl with comparatively cheap material. Barnaby Faul
tells me
the catalog will probably consist of some 900-1000 lots that carry
estimates
totaling 300,000-400,000.
Now Tom's sale is currently slated by Spink for Sunday October 3. The
sheer
volume of material that has come in in recent weeks has meant that Spink
have
been forced to reschedule their sale to occupy three days that they have
now
jig-sawed in around the DNW sale and the delights of IBNS. The "general"
sale
will be split between Wednesday 29 September and Monday October 4. I do
hope
Gramsters can cope.
And while you are at it, there are likely to be three printed catalogues
with
that for Tom's collection becoming an essential reference on all military
collectors' shelves.
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Dear Editor,

The Better Half and I moved to the Milwaukee area 41 years ago and just discovered a historic gem on Fathers Day. On the west side of Milwaukee (near Miller Park) is Woods National Cemetery and the Clement J. Zablocki VA Medical Center. Tucked away in the complex is the Old Soldiers Home that very few locals are aware of. Once a year Historic Milwaukee conducts a walking tour of the grounds that takes approximately 2-hours. (You can also get a map and descriptive sheet and take a self guided tour.)

On March 3, 1865, Congress passed the National Asylum for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers Act and was one of the last pieces of legislation signed by President Lincoln before his assassination. The US was roughly divided into thirds and an Old Soldiers Home was established in each area (excluding the Confederate States). The eastern home was located in an abandoned resort in Togus , Maine , the central one in Dayton , Ohio and the northwestern one in Milwaukee , Wisconsin . In May 1867, 60 ex-soldiers moved into farm houses that were located on the land (450 acres) that was bought on the outskirts of Milwaukee

More than 20 of the old buildings are still standing and many are still in use. The oldest building still standing is the Governors Residence (built in 1868). The head administrator of the hospital was known the Governor or Commandant thus the name of the building. The administrator of the hospital has lived in the building, and still does, since it was built. This is one of the oldest continually occupied buildings in the VA system.

A very interesting building is the Main Domiciliary built in 1869. Old Main was home to all old soldiers, except those in the hospital, until the late 1980s. At the peak, nearly 1,000 men lived there. The design is very interesting and one of the most decorative buildings in the historic district.

One of my favorite places on the tour was the Wadsworth Library built in 1891 and still in use. Inside the library are a series of display cases that contain artifacts from the Old Soldiers Home beginning through the Korean War.

The Chapel build in 1889 is a multi-denominational chapel, one of the first such facilities built by the federal government. The interior features separate appointments for Catholic and Protestant services. The Chapel is adjacent

to Wood National Cemetery and many services were held there and then proceeded into the cemetery for internment. Near the Chapel are two houses, one for the Protestant Chaplin and one for the Catholic Chaplin.

The Ward Memorial Hall built in 1881 served as a theater, a place of worship and housed an amusement hall, restaurant, home store and post office. In 1898 it was remodeled and served strictly as a theater. During its eight decades the theater showcased many famous entertainers including; Will Rogers , Bob Hope, Burns and Allen, Sophie Tucker, Ethel Merman, Nat King Cole and Milwaukee's own Liberace.

Unfortunately there is very little of Numismatic interest at the Old Soldiers Home. In one display case, in the Library, is a box taken out of a corner stone and among the items found in the box were three coins. They are an Indian Head Cent, Nickel Three-Cent piece and a Shield Nickel. I have not found any evidence of tokens or script that may have been used at the Home. Maybe some other Gramsters are aware of some.

When/if a future Fest is held in Milwaukee I volunteer to organize a tour of the Old Soldiers Home for all interested parties!
Fester John Watta

Dear Editor, Watch this YouTube video - this was happening on Fest weekend 2010.

We missed a great opportunity to change our schedule and see 17 B-25s aloft - the biggest flight of B-25s since WWII. It gives me goose bumps. This was forwarded to me by an Itazuke classmate whose father flew B-25s during he war.

The quote below is from her email.

"B-25 Pacific Princess and 16 other B-25's attend the 68th Doolittle Reunion on April 27, 2010. B-25J 'Pacific Princess' and crew participates in the largest gathering of B-25's since WWII for the 68th Doolittle Raiders Reunion held April 17th & 18th, 2010 at USAF Museum, Wright Field Dayton OH. 17 B-25's formed up for a fly-over the Doolittle Memorial ceremony. Eight Doolittle Raiders of the original 79 remain, four were able to attend the 2010 event. The oldest airman present was 94 years old and the youngest 88. Air to Air shots filmed from

the tail gunner seat of 'Pacific Princess', ship # 2 in the 17 ship formation
by VictoryGirl.com The group of planes stayed at the Champaign Airport in Urbana
, Ohio , 12 miles away."
www.youtube.com/user/MsPolleyVision
Joe Boling

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LOST/STOLEN ITEMS

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point is to make the Gram more interesting. In all cases confirm your order via email first. Ads will run for approximately two weeks.

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WANTED SECTION:

Collectors may submit lists of items wanted for their collections for listing here.

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2011 Donors Military Numismatics Scholarship Fund

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Hi Larry & Roger, I took the list of donors from the auction booklet and added names of people who gave at least \$10 or more to Kathy or myself. Larry, Do

you have any names to add to the list.

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Donations to the scholarship fund may be made by sending a check made out to the

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Mail checks to: Dan Freeland, PO Box 195, Mayville, MI 48744-0195.
Thanks, Dan & Kathy Freeland

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Florida United Numismatists Summer Fun
July 8-10, 2010 Orlando, FL Orange County Conv. Center
Exhibits, Programs
Auction Heritage Galleries
Info at: www.funtopics.com

American Numismatic Association (ANA)
Worlds Fair of Money (WFOM)
Info at: www.money.org
Admission of \$6 for non members of ANA
August 10-14, 2010
Hynes Convention Center, Boston, MA
Exhibits, Educational Programs, Club meetings
BEP Card
Auction Heritage Galleries
www.HA.com

Long Beach Coin, Stamp & Collectible Expo
Long Beach Convention & Entertainment Center
September 8-10, 2010, Admission charge.
Discount coupon available at site:
<http://longbeachexpo.com/>
HA Auction & probably CAA sale,
www.HA.com

Whitman Philadelphia Expo
Pennsylvania Convention Center
Sept. 30 - Oct. 2, 2010, Free admission.
Exhibits,
Info at: www.whitmanexpo.com
Auction's by Bowers and Merena,
<http://www.bowersandmerena.com/>
& Stack's, <http://stacks.com/>

25th Annual National & World Paper Money Convention
Info at: <http://www.pcdaonline.com/>
St. Charles Convention Center
Show information: Kevin Foley, kfoley2@wi.rr.com
October 13 - 16, 2010, Free admission
Probably a MiniFest, club meetings
Auction: Lyn Knight,
www.lynknight.com

The Silver Dollar & Rare Coin Expo
St Charles Convention Center

Oct 14 - 16, 2010
Scotsman auction, Free Admission
Same location as the PCDA show but
in a different hall.

Whitman Coin and Collectibles Baltimore Expo
Baltimore Convention Center
Nov. 4 - 7, 2010, Free admission
Auction by Bowers and Merena
<http://www.bowersandmerena.com/>

Santa Clara Coin, Stamp & Collectibles Expo
Santa Clara Convention Center
Nov 19 - 21, 2010

Michigan State Numismatic Society
Hyatt Regency Dearborn
Nov. 26 - 28, 2010, Free admission
Show info: <http://www.michigancoinclub.org/>
Exhibits, meetings, possible MiniFest

Houston's 54th Money Show of the Southwest
George R. Brown Convention Center, Free admission.
December 2 - 4, 2010
Show info: www.houstoncoinshow.org

Show Calendar 2011

Florida United Numismatists
Tampa Convention Center
January 6 - 9, 2011, Free admission.
Exhibits, programs, probable MiniFest
Show info: www.funtopics.com
Exhibit Info: FranLockwood@aol.com
Auction which includes a large paper money sale
Heritage Auctions, www.HA.com

39th New York International (NYInc)
Waldorf Astoria, Admission charge
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Philippine and World War II Collectors

Mailbid XIV was put into the mail to all US addresses on Friday afternoon.
Overseas addresses will be sent on Tuesday, given the US holiday. This is by far the biggest mailbid I have ever completed and extends to 32 pages, 2403 lots

(Note a small error; last lot should be numbered 2403, not 2402). Bids will be accepted until Midnight EDT, Tuesday 31 August 2010. If you have moved since June 2009, not updated your address, or have not received Mailbid XIV by 20 July, please contact me. Also, the new mailbid should be on my web site by the

end of the week
Web Page: <http://mysite.verizon.net/cookiejarpi/>

Highlights and Notes for Giant Philippine & WWII Mailbid XIV--2403 lots--closes

31 August 2010:

250 lots of out-of-print WWII books, pamphlets, papers including 39 on China, 33

on POWs, 26 on Psyc Ops & Propaganda + other countries
570 lots of Spanish Philippines, under US Administration, and Republic coin
including many encapsulated items
117 lots of Philippine related Medals and Tokens
236 lots of Philippine Paper Money issues under the US including 25 replacement

notes

61 lots of MPC and AMC notes including the sale catalog of the 1988 Alex Kesselman Collection by Schwan

8 lots of HAWAII graded overprints

93 lots of Philippine JIM including many fractional block letters, replacements,

overprints and an original wrapped package of 5 Centavo notes

Many replacement issues among 284 lots of Philippine Republic Currency
Largest Group of Philippine Guerrilla and Emergency Currency offered in many

years: 650 lots!

109 lots of Paper collectibles, old postcards, stamps, stock certificates,

Philippine catalogs, monographs, and magazines, and Albums.

I must admit I did a poor job of checking Lot #s when I had to format to two

columns/page to hold down postal costs. My Excel computer program filled in

what it thought they should be. Thus the following errors need to be corrected

in the printed list I mailed to everyone.

a. Lot 29, Chinese Currency Book covers period 1854-1973, not 1954-1973.

b. Lot 194, Japanese Propaganda Book has 224 pages not 124 pages. Reads back to

front and right to left.

c. Lot 285, 1965 Isabella 50C is actually in an NGCXF-45 holder, toned with

underlying luster.

d. Lots 1016 and 1017 left out of sale. Description follows:

Lot 1016 P57 Philippine National Bank, 5 Pesos, 1937, SN E177784E, Paterno-Yulo,

corner fold AU\$40.00

Lot 1017 P57 Philippine National Bank 5 Pesos 1937 PMG certified CHCUNC-64 EPQ

SN E23322E CU\$300.00

e. Page 20, right column at top: Lots currently numbered 1018 to 1025 are actually Lots 1084 to 1091.

f. Page 22, left column at top: Lots currently numbered 1237 to 1262 are actually Lots 1267 to 1292 (add +30 to printed numbers).

g. Page 22, right column at top: Lots currently numbered 1267 to 1269 are actually Lots 1331 to 1333.

h. Page 30, right column at top: Lots currently numbered 2214 to 2218 are actually Lots 2281 to 2285.

i. Page 32, right column at bottom: Last lot is #2403 vice printed #2402.

Thanks to those who brought these to my attention. Let me know if you see any others in the printed list. The web site copy of Mailbid XIV has the correct numbers.

Philippine Collectors Forum (PCF). We are on the ANA schedule to meet in the Commonwealth Room in Boston, MA Convention Center on Friday afternoon, 13th of August, 1 - 5PM during the ANA World's Fair of Money. I ask all that can attend as I believe we will have a number of interesting sets of presentations. I need now to know who would like to do a presentation and what subject. Please let me know your ideas as I want to firm up an agenda by the end of the month. In addition there will be a "show and tell" and a number of SCARCE to RARE Philippine items on display. At the end of the meeting many door prizes will be

given away to attendees. Plan to attend this educational forum. Also, during the show the PCF will have a Club Table #3 in the lobby across from the registration booths. Please stop by and meet fellow collectors. I still have in stock the following books/studies if you are interested:

Lyman Allen's 6th (2008-2009) edition of "US/Philippine Coins". As in the past,

the edition contains new varieties and updated certified coins' listings from the different grading services. Values have been vastly updated. Also included is a coin checklist at the back. Price is \$28 Postpaid to US and APO/FPO addresses. Price to Overseas addresses is \$35 for airmail postage.

History and Mintage Philippine Counter-stamped Coins 1828-1839" by Quint Jose MA.

Oropilla Y Fortich, M.D. It is well researched containing original archival documents, many photos, and important information about counter-stamped coins

never before published. This is a large (9 1/2 by 12 1/2 inches)
hardbound 225
page book weighing about 4 lbs for shipping. For any Philippine or
Spanish
Colonies collector having interest in this unique series, you need this
book.
Cost in the US is \$120 plus \$6 for insured book rate to US addresses.
(Overseas addresses please inquire about shipping rates to your
country.)

"The Philippine 1906S Philippine Peso, Die Characteristics: Genuine and
Fake",
August 2004. I initially presented this research study at PCF 2004. It
has 20
pages with 13 of those color photographs. Cost is \$8.00 postpaid within
US and
\$10.00 overseas. It was published in the ANA Journal, Summer 2006
edition.

A listing of known die combinations used in production of the Homma
Medal. I
presented this paper at the Philippine Collectors Forum in August 2008
and I
exhibited some 20 different Homma medals. Cost is \$5 to US addresses
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and \$7 to Overseas Addressees.

Thank you,
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Answer:

Edward Blampied designed the series of notes for the German Occupation of Jersey

during WW II, P # 's 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6

Regards,

Brent Arthurson

Answer:

State of Jersey,

The Myers

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EDITORIAL

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If you collect Philippine material, whether it be currency or anything else, you

should take a look at Ray Czahor's

latest Mail Bid Sale. The variety offered will appeal to all. We have participated in the last few auctions and have not been disappointed.

I think Ken Berger has it right: prior to World War II the Philippines had its

own money and there were no special notes with

special marking on the back. I also looked at the the website for the Office of

Foreign Asset Controls and that appears to

talk about post World War II terrorism. It is always possible that there is

something to new to find. Any other thoughts out there?

The ANA's World's Fair of Money in Boston is about a month away and for those of

you who plan to attend make sure to make the

minifest which will be held right after the IBNS meeting. There will be a

numismatic presentation at the IBNS meeting, and I am told,

there will be a numismatic item provided for all attendees. The

minifest, at

least according to rumor, will have each

participant with a show and tell the recipient of a new issue of MFC.

I'll post

the time and location a little closer to the show.

There is a new Ad in the Wanted section and would anyone who attended the FUN

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Ken Berger

Dear Editor,
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Danny Spungen
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Auction which includes a large paper money sale

Heritage Auctions, www.HA.com

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Addendum for Bulgaria Coinage,
by Bill Myers

During the war Bulgaria did not produce any fractional coins (stotinka).
Leva
coins were produced and were the same or similar design of the coins
prior to
the war but the composition changed. The coins previously made of copper-
nickel
were now made of iron and nickel clad steel, silver coins were made of
copper-nickel and nickel clad steel. The leva was pegged to the
reichsmark at
the rate of 32.75 leva = 1 Reichsmark. The 1 and 2 leva feature a crowned
crest

on the obverse and the denomination and date in a wreath on the reverse.
 The 5
 and 10 leva have denomination and date in wreath on the obverse and
 madera rider
 on the reverse. The 20 and 50 leva feature a left facing bust of King
 Borus III
 on the obverse with denomination and date on the reverse.
 See page 656 in Remembered.

leva	description	mintage
1	19 mm iron crest; rx. denom, wreath 1941	10,000,000
2	23 mm iron crest: rx. denom, wreath 1941	15,000,000
2	23 mm iron revised crest; rx. denom, wreath 1943	35,000,000
5	26 mm iron wreath, denom; rx. madera rider 1941	15,000,000
5	as above, nickel clad steel 1943	36,000,000
10	30 mm iron wreath, denom; rx. madera rider 1941	2,000,000
10	as above, nickel clad steel 1943	25,000,000
20	21 mm copper-nickel King Borus III; rx. denom, wreath 1940A	6,650,000
50	27 mm copper-nickel King Borus III; rx. denom, wreath 1940A	12,340,000
50	as above, nickel clad steel; 1943A	15,000,000

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This question is not taken from Remembered. I'd like to get more of you
 writing
 in with answers, so I'll try this one:
 We are aware of the Mafeking Siege notes during the Boer War, but were
 there
 other issues for that conflict and, if so,
 what were they?

Answer next time.

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ANSWER TO PREVIOUS QUESTION

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 introduced?

Answer:
 Henry Morgenthau
 The Myers

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EDITORIAL

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Jim Downey poses some interesting theories in his letter. I do agree it
 would

seem logical to make sure that any US dollars in the Philippines that could be captured/seized by the Japanese be identified in some way, even if it were by serial number, to make it worthless to the enemy. The other side of the argument, of course, is that if this were the case, surely it would have been discovered by now, more than sixty-five years later. Perhaps there are some undiscovered archives in Manila or Washington that bear some light on this. We must also keep Neil Shafer's (see his letter after Jim's) comments in mind. It seems likely that there were no special markings, but.....

I left Bill Myer's inquiry about championships in Mail Call since we received some responses and I would hope to get more so Bill/Fred and compile the data.

So if you know, or think you know, let us know.
I'll publish the listing when Bill tells me it is complete

There is also a large new ad from David Seelye which should be of interest to souvenir card collectors. My question would be: do all the cards need to be purchased in one lot, or can they be broken up into smaller lots for those interested in specific subjects?

Lastly, Fest XII is now listed in the calendar, so you can call out to Kim and register.

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Dear Editor,
The question posed in MPCGram 1945 asked "Which issue of AMC is known to exist in matched serial number sets?" The Myers correctly answered Italian Lire. but the Editor appended an additional question, that asked what the serial numbers would be. I have seen one complete set that had a two digit serial number that resides somewhere in the Southern part of the United States and could be the lowest numbered complete set in that series. I do have a scan of that set and will forward it with this email. Lower numbers than this exist, but they are

individual notes or partial sets. If my memory doesn't fail me, I believe there were some one digit serial number (excluding the zero's) notes in a Memphis auction maybe five years or so ago. It is believed that the first 100+ serial numbers were culled from the original shipment and assembled into sets. The disposition of those sets is one of those numismatic mysteries--to whom where they given, why were some then broken up, are there more complete sets in collections then the five listed in WWII Remembered etc. If you happen to know where any of those notes or sets reside, let us hear from you.

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Larry Smulczenski
[The images are posted on the website -Ed.]

Dear Editor,
Regarding Ken Berger's response to the question regarding US currency in the Philippines. General Homma's edict declaring the Japanese Military Peso legal tender in the Philippines also indicated that the pre-war Commonwealth Peso and the US Dollar remained legal tender during the occupation. Whether they actually were used in commerce during the occupation is a separate question. The pre-war peso paper money was redeemable in silver pesos or the legal tender currency of the United States. Both of these points would suggest that there was a significant amount of US currency in the Philippines at the start of the war. The commercial ties between the US and the Philippines were very close and it would not be surprising to find that there may have been significant amounts of US currency held by banks in the Philippines even if US paper money did not actually circulate there. If there was not a significant amount of US currency in the Philippines at the start of the occupation, why would the Japanese have included the US dollar in the legal tender edict? I have read accounts of US military paymasters in the Philippines who destroyed the paper dollars they had in their possession at the beginning of the war. It would seem logical for the government of the Philippines to have had some contingency plan for destroying or otherwise marking the US currency held by

non-government agencies including the private and commercial banks to keep it from the Japanese similar to what was done in Guernsey.
Jim Downey

Dear Editor,,
Roger had asked me if I knew anything about possible special markings on U.S. currency in the Philippines. My reply was that after all these years I've studied and written on Philippine numismatics, I never heard a word about such markings, so at least at this point I did not believe they were used.
Ken
Berger is right in my estimation.
On another subject, I have the idea that the Service Award was given to me in 2005, not 2006- that would have been my first Fest attendance and I do believe (but can't be absolutely sure) that's when I got it. Bill has it as 2006- so we need to be sure, if anyone can help.
Neil Shafer

Dear Editor,
I was the champion poker player one year!!
I can't remember when but it was the 2nd or 3d year
Nick Schrier

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Gary Hicks

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5 Mark Forbes dark paper stock
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20 Mark Forbes dark paper stock

1 Lira Forbes dark paper stock
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10 Sen B White paper stock
50 Sen B White paper stock

2 Francs White paper stock 9
2 Francs dark paper stock
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5 Francs White paper stock 5
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50 Francs dark paper stock
100 Francs dark paper stock
2 Francs dark paper stock postmark cancelled stamp
5 Francs dark paper stock postmark cancelled stamp
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ANA June 6, 1994

2 Franc dark paper stock 3
2 Francs (2) dark paper stock
2&5 franc size note flag back FDI 29 cent stamp
2 Francs dark paper stock postmark 29cent cancelled stamp with 10 Cts AMP
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2 Francs dark paper stock postmark 29cent cancelled stamp
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stamp
5 Francs dark paper stock postmark 29cent cancelled stamp with 1.5 Fr.
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ANA May 8, 1995

1 Mark Forbes FDI 29 cent stamp
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1 Lire Forbes FDI 29 cent stamp
2 Lira BEP
10 Lire 1943A FDI 29 cent stamp
10 Lire 1943A

ANA August 15, 1995

10 Sen B Anaheim Philatelic Unit 29 cent stamp 3
50 Sen B
1 Yen B 2

ANA September 16, 1996 notes printed on white paper stock by GLBC

Series 481 \$10 2
Series 591 \$10 2
Series 611 \$10 2
Series 651 \$10 2
Series 661 \$20 2
Series 661 \$20 dark paper stock
Series 681 \$10 3

Series 691 \$10 4
Series 692 \$10 2
Series 692 \$20 3
Series 701 \$20 4

Ft. Leavenworth, KS Sept 16, 1986

Series 461 10 Cents Serial 900012
Series 472 5 Cents 2nd print
Series 472 10 Cents 1st print 2
Series 481 5 Cents 1st Print
Series 481 5 Cents 2nd Print 3
Series 481 10 Cents 2nd print
Series 521 10 Cents 1st Print 2
Series 521 50 Cents 2nd Print
Series 541 5 Cents 4
Series 541 10 Cents
Series 611 5 Cents
Series 641 5 Cents
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Series 661 5 Cents
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Series 661 25 Cents
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Ft. Leavenworth, KS 1987 start of WW2 1937-1987

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MY VISIT TO THE 2010 ANA SUMMER SEMINAR Part One

Getting there is half the fun,

by John Regitko

My alarm went off at 2:30 a.m. on Saturday, July 3. Having had my shower and

shave the evening before, I managed to be dressed and have my luggage ready by

3:00 a.m. My travel companion, Fester Dick Dunn, pulled into the driveway just

as I was putting my shoes on. The drive to the airport was uneventful, giving us time to contemplate the many things we would be exposed to for our first visit to the ANA Summer Seminar in Colorado Springs, Colorado and wondering what special MPC Notes Fred had created for the occasion. They tell you to be at the airport 3 hours before departure, so we arrived by 4:00 a.m. U.S. customs, who would pre-clear us in Toronto, didn't open until 5:00 a.m., so hundreds of people stood in line like cattle, waiting for the inevitable body search and having their half-empty jars of hand lotion confiscated. When the time finally came to be screened, I dutifully removed my Canadian change, the U.S. change from a previous visit to the U.S., wallet, cell phone, cell phone charger, more change, keys, shoes and belt. Good thing I have a pretty good stomach on me or my pants might have fallen down, probably to the delight of no one. But removing all metal from my pants and waist was all for naught. I didn't remove the titanium rod that they had installed during my recent hip replacement. So out came the wand. I was asked to spread my arms out horizontally and in so doing, I hit one of the attendants on the side of the head. I'm 6'4" tall and long arms to match but no eyes on the sides of my head. I guess the attendant doesn't either, because she didn't see it coming. I thought they would now treat me as a terrorist and get the taser guns out, but they probably thought that I was giving up after smacking her, since I still had my arms stretched out waiting for the wand search. Good thing my cane went through the scanner along with my carry-on bag, or it would surely have been deemed a dangerous weapon right along with the tubes of toothpaste. They also asked me to give up any chewing gum I had. I thought of asking if they thought someone would try to sneak C-4 through the airport by chewing on it, but the 200-pound-plus casualty of the war against terrorists that I smacked was still staring at me, no doubt just waiting for a reason to take me down. Because I have difficulty bending over far enough to tie up my shoe laces due to

acute arthritis in my knees, I leave the laces tied loosely and use a shoe horn to slip my heel in. But I had placed it into my checked luggage. I asked if they had one that I could use. The inspector, still holding the side of her head, looked at the shoe horn sitting on a chair near her, then at me, no doubt wondering if I would hit her again if she came any closer. So she handed it to the inspector with the wand, who handed it to me. They are not allowed to personally help you. I guess they don't want to risk getting dynamite or gun powder residue on their fingers from the socks I was still allowed to wear. But to make sure all was well, I was asked to lift my feet, one at a time, so they could run the wand up and down my socks. I kid you not!

I wondered what sort of odor could set it off. Fortunately, I didn't suffer the embarrassment of finding out. I eventually did get my shoes back on, only to be pulled to one side for a close-up and personal inspection. Of my carry-on pack, fortunately. That is probably due to the fact that the x-ray came out positive for metal. It could have been the camera, tape recorder, spare batteries, Sony Walkman and charger, cell phone and charger, electric shaver, electric nose hair trimmer, tensor lamp that Boling suggested we bring, electric extension cord and assorted cables to hook up the above. Maybe there was even lead in the ink that the books about military currency by Joe Boling and Fred Schwan that I lugged around, including WWII Remember that put me over the weight limit and was probably responsible for being assessed a \$25 luggage charge.

Flying Delta via Minneapolis where we changed planes, I noticed how small the plane was. Judging by the appearance, I thought they were propeller planes and I was expecting to find a turret on top, but they were actually 2-engine jets with a seating capacity of 60. I wouldn't say the plane was small, but I thought we were waiting for a gust of wind to lift us off the ground, thereby eliminating the taxiing and waiting in line for the other two planes at the airport to take off (that's an attempt at the equivalent of a small town joke).

I didnt think the small planes could fly too high, having visions of it
skimming some tree tops. I dont mind flying low, but I just didnt like
the
thought of looking at people through their windows getting out of bed and
eating
breakfast.

The pilot came out of the cockpit to welcome us and told us how excited
he was.

He said, and I kid you not: I am really excited about this flight today.
It is

my first time flying. He didnt look a day older than the stewardess or
flight

attendant or whatever they are called now, whom I wanted to loan my cane
to

because she looked like she might be on her final retirement flight.

Next Gram: Part Two: my arrival, impressions about the seminars and
comments
about the instructors.

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CHAMPIONSHIP QUESTION CORNER

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The only requirement is that you also provide the answer!

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Breakers Navy Recreation Center chits were printed by what company and in
how

many varieties?

You might also want to tell us where the club was located.

Answer next time.

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ANSWER TO PREVIOUS QUESTION

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This question is not taken from Remembered. I'd like to get more of you
writing

in with answers, so I'll try this one:

We are aware of the Mafeking Siege notes during the Boer War, but were
there

other issues for that conflict and, if so,
what were they?

Answer:

Wow, the Gram's making us think. Hope some other answers drift in.

Besides the 10 shilling and 1 pound Siege Notes, there were also 1,2 and
3

shilling coupons issued. Not sure if others were also issued - will
anxiously

await other Gamster's answers.

The Myers

Answer:

Could be a very long answer

Other than the Baden-Powell issue of the Mafeking Siege there were the Marshall

Hole card/stamp money of Bulawayo, Postal Notes from the Transvaal & Orange Free

State, Seige of Koffyfontein 5 Pound, some typewritten siege notes of O'kiep and

cloth "notes" issued by the Upington Border Scouts.

The list could be longer if you include the Siege Soup and "Sowen Porridge"

coupons of Kimberley and Mafeking.

Strange that there were no emergency issues from the Siege of Ladysmith.....or were there?

Murray Hanewich

IBNS#3649

[The original question came from information in the SCWPM Specialized issues,

9th Edition - I guess I should get an newer version - as I was looking at the

listings

in South Africa for Mafeking Siege issues. Murry Hanewich got most of them, but

Pick also lists "Post Noot" issues of the Orange Free State and the 1901 Siege

of Koffyfontein

as well as the Transvaal Postal Money Order issues. An interestinggroup of

military issues with some rare pieces - Ed.]

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EDITORIAL

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After all is said and done it is apparent that there were no secret marks or overprints on US notes that were circulating in the Philippines prior to the

Japanese occupation. We have a couple of more letters in Mail Call and an explanation from Roger Burdette as to why he posed the question.The fact that it was posed

to Gramsters is somewhat rewarding. The idea of a special identification was

just another idea to be explored by the government which might have sounded good

at

the time, but never made it out of the planning/talking stage. Thanks to Roger for asking the question and it might be of interest to see his finished product.

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Dear Editor,

Since Neil agrees with me, let me respond to Jim's comments. Let us assume that some U.S. notes were in circulation (perhaps from payment to the U.S. troops who were stationed there). However, since the Philippine peso was readily convertible to the U.S. dollar and there was no restriction regarding its possession, there would be no need for a black market. Thus, if any U.S. notes were in circulation, the numbers should have been minimal.

Also, wouldn't it be hard to mark the notes with some sort of a distinguishing mark after the Philippines were already invaded, especially since such a mark would have been post-printing? Likewise, since the Philippines were a U.S. possession at the time, it would make sense that Gen. Homma, in order to cover all bases, would include U.S. notes in his directive (i.e. the only other notes besides the Philippine peso which MIGHT be found in quantity would have to be the U.S. dollar). Perhaps similar directives made regarding the British pound for Hong Kong & Malaya (at the time being British colonies & therefore the second most likely notes to be found in circulation being British notes.).

Ken Berger

Dear Editor,

It sounds to me like Roger Burdette's "reliable" sources are referring to the Hawaii notes, which were marked in exactly the way he describes for exactly the purpose he describes - they just didn't happen to be in the PI before we lost that territory. But Hawaii notes did circulate throughout the Pacific theater from the time they were introduced in 1942 until late in the war, when they

became optional.

Joe Boling

Dear Editor,

My thanks to all for their thoughtful comments about pre-war marking of U.S.

currency in the Philippines. My original interest was based on Bureau of Insular

Affairs correspondence and comments by Commissioner Sayre stating that this had

been done. However, no details were included in the sources, hence my question

to this august assembly of specialists.

In the late 1930s and early 40s, government bureaus were buzzing with war contingency plans. Most never made it beyond the draft stage, while others were

implemented several years later. In the Philippines, the nearly constant bickering between the High Commissioner, U.S. Military Commander, and Commonwealth President, led to much confusion. It is possible that Sayre intended to have all the U.S. currency marked in some way, but never got around

to it. Curiously, none of his aids the people who would have had to implement

the idea mention marking U.S. currency.

For the present, I am putting this one in the unconfirmed category and do not

plan to mention it in my numismatic book covering 1929-1946. If specific information is located, the book draft can easily be changed.

Thanks, again to all!

Roger W. Burdette

Dear Editor,

Hey, Y'all,

Wouldn't the various winners of the poker games etc. have been listed in the

'Grams immediately following each Fest? While I haven't been to a Fest yet, I

follow the happenings as reported in the 'Gram. Aren't the past issues all on

the website?

Just a thought...

Jay in Lufkin, still in the Piney Woods of Deep East [By God!!] Texas reply, if ya' wanna, to whohahl@yahoo.com

[Dear Jay - Yep, the Grams are on the website and savied here at Yahoo, but the

last resort would be to troll through all the issuessent after Fests and hope

that the winners

were reported. It was your editor's hope that the winner would remember they won.]

Dear Editor,

I am excited to hear that the date has been set for MPC Fest XII. I already have some Festers registered. [The names are in the Calendar section-Ed.]

Kim Bartish

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ANA June 6, 1984

Mark Forbes dark paper stock 2
1 Mark Forbes dark paper stock
5 Mark Forbes dark paper stock
10 Mark Forbes dark paper stock
20 Mark Forbes dark paper stock

1 Lira Forbes dark paper stock
1 Lira BEP White paper stock
2 Lire Forbes dark paper stock
2 Lire Forbes White paper stock
2 Lire BEP White paper stock
5 Lire Forbes White paper stock
5 Lire 1943A White paper stock
5 Lire 1943A dark paper stock
10 Lire 1943A White paper stock 2

10 Sen B White paper stock
50 Sen B White paper stock

2 Francs White paper stock 9
2 Francs dark paper stock
2 Francs (2) dark paper stock 4
5 Francs White paper stock 5
5 Francs dark paper stock
10 Francs White paper stock 5
10 Francs dark paper stock 2
50 Francs dark paper stock
100 Francs dark paper stock
2 Francs dark paper stock postmark cancelled stamp
5 Francs dark paper stock postmark cancelled stamp
2 Francs (2) dark paper stock postmark cancelled stamp

ANA June 6, 1994

2 Franc dark paper stock 3
2 Francs (2) dark paper stock
2&5 franc size note flag back FDI 29 cent stamp
2 Francs dark paper stock postmark 29cent cancelled stamp with 10 Cts AMP
stamp
2 Francs dark paper stock postmark 29cent cancelled stamp
2 Francs dark paper stock postmark 29cent cancelled stamp with 50 Cts AMP
stamp
5 Francs dark paper stock postmark 29cent cancelled stamp with 1.5 Fr.
AMP stamp

ANA May 8, 1995

1 Mark Forbes FDI 29 cent stamp
1 Mark Forbes

1 Lire Forbes FDI 29 cent stamp
2 Lira BEP
10 Lire 1943A FDI 29 cent stamp
10 Lire 1943A

ANA August 15, 1995

10 Sen B Anaheim Philatelic Unit 29 cent stamp 3
50 Sen B
1 Yen B 2

ANA September 16, 1996 notes printed on white paper stock by GLBC

Series 481 \$10 2
Series 591 \$10 2
Series 611 \$10 2
Series 651 \$10 2
Series 661 \$20 2
Series 661 \$20 dark paper stock
Series 681 \$10 3
Series 691 \$10 4
Series 692 \$10 2
Series 692 \$20 3
Series 701 \$20 4

Ft. Leavenworth, KS Sept 16, 1986

Series 461 10 Cents Serial 900012
Series 472 5 Cents 2nd print
Series 472 10 Cents 1st print 2
Series 481 5 Cents 1st Print
Series 481 5 Cents 2nd Print 3
Series 481 10 Cents 2nd print
Series 521 10 Cents 1st Print 2
Series 521 50 Cents 2nd Print
Series 541 5 Cents 4
Series 541 10 Cents
Series 611 5 Cents
Series 641 5 Cents
Series 641 10 Cents 2
Series 641 25 Cents 3rd Print
Series 641 50 Cents 1st Print
Series 661 5 Cents
Series 661 10 Cents Serial Number 000225
Series 661 25 Cents
Series 681 5 Cents
Series 681 5 Cents back showing Serial Number 000223

Series 681 10 Cents
Series 692 10 Cents Serial Number 000218

Ft. Leavenworth, KS 1987 start of WW2 1937-1987

China 50 Sen Pick M14

CPMX Feb 24-26, 1995
JIM 5 Pesos #81 and #113 of 200

CPMX 2005
10 Sen B #30,32,59 of 200

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you have any names to add to the list.

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Hynes Convention Center, Boston, MA

Exhibits, Educational Programs, Club meetings
BEP Card
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www.HA.com

Long Beach Coin, Stamp & Collectible Expo
Long Beach Convention & Entertainment Center
September 8-10, 2010, Admission charge.
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<http://longbeachexpo.com/>
HA Auction & probably CAA sale,
www.HA.com

Whitman Philadelphia Expo
Pennsylvania Convention Center
Sept. 30 - Oct. 2, 2010, Free admission.
Exhibits,
Info at: www.whitmanexpo.com
Auction's by Bowers and Merena,
<http://www.bowersandmerena.com/>
& Stack's, <http://stacks.com/>

25th Annual National & World Paper Money Convention
Info at: <http://www.pcdaonline.com/>
St. Charles Convention Center
Show information: Kevin Foley, kfoley2@wi.rr.com
October 13 - 16, 2010, Free admission
Probably a MiniFest, club meetings
Auction: Lyn Knight,
www.lynknight.com

The Silver Dollar & Rare Coin Expo
St Charles Convention Center
Oct 14 - 16, 2010
Scotsman auction, Free Admission
Same location as the PCDA show but
in a different hall.

Whitman Coin and Collectibles Baltimore Expo
Baltimore Convention Center
Nov. 4 - 7, 2010, Free admission
Auction by Bowers and Merena
<http://www.bowersandmerena.com/>

Santa Clara Coin, Stamp & Collectibles Expo
Santa Clara Convention Center
Nov 19 - 21, 2010

Michigan State Numismatic Society
Hyatt Regency Dearborn
Nov. 26 - 28, 2010, Free admission
Show info: <http://www.michigancoinclub.org/>
Exhibits, meetings, possible MiniFest

Houston's 54th Money Show of the Southwest
George R. Brown Convention Center, Free admission.
December 2 - 4, 2010
Show info: www.houstoncoinshow.org

Show Calendar 2011

Florida United Numismatists
Tampa Convention Center
January 6 - 9, 2011, Free admission.
Exhibits, programs, probable MiniFest
Show info: www.funtopics.com
Exhibit Info: FranLockwood@aol.com
Auction which includes a large paper money sale
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Waldorf Astoria, Admission charge
January 6 - 9, 2011
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MY VISIT TO THE 2010 ANA SUMMER SEMINAR Part Two
The ANA Summer Seminars - by John Regitko

Following the pick-up of my luggage at the Colorado Springs airport, I made my way to the exit where a bus would pick me up and take us to the Colorado College

complex, site of the ANA Summer Seminars. Near the exit of the arrivals building, a sign at a table read ANA SEMINAR. I was greeted by Joe Pronessa and George Cuhaj (whom I had met previously at MPC Fests), who carried my bag to

the waiting bus. Great service!
The bus dropped us off in front of Loomis Hall, where registration was taking place. Greeted by a bevy of ANA staff and volunteers, I was quickly processed. A

hefty registration kit was handed me, along with the access card for the cafeteria and dorm and room key, by Emily Silver, with whom I had telephone and e-mail contact previously. This included a request to place my in a room where the walking would be minimal. A better location could not have been chosen for me by her. Thanks, Emily!

After purchasing a souvenir T-shirt from Dave Sklow, an instructor at the Seminar and a former flight engineer for the United States Air Force, I proceeded to a well-stocked row of tables containing a variety of complimentary salads, cold cuts, breads, cheeses and desserts, along with coffee and juices. The fun and fellowship had begun!
I was told to go outside and hitch a ride with Tiny. Tiny turned out to become

my New Best Friend, chauffeuring me around for the next six days on the

personnel mobile vehicle (also known as a golf cart) provided by the ANA and Colorado College, which is licensed to drive on the roads where the College has facilities. This involved picking me up at 7:30 a.m. each morning at the dormitory, dropping me off at the doors of the Mess Hall, picking me up after breakfast and taking me to Armstrong Hall where the Military Numismatic classes were taught. My class was dubbed Camp Adna Wilde, after the late war veteran and

graduate of the same military course I was taking. He had also served as president, treasurer and executive director of the ANA. Picking me up and bringing me back from lunch and dinner, as well as dropping me

off at the dormitory at night, made me wonder how I would have survived the week

without Tiny, still suffering from the aftermath of blood clots in my lungs and waiting for knee replacements. I was, of course, only one of many students and instructors he assisted. As a councilor for a group of young numismatists, he took them to their destinations. He also picked up people as he drove me from one location to another, even taking time for visits to the ANA Museum and showing me other sights. Thanks heaps, Tiny! What great service! What a great guy! Although I have eaten in cafeterias on a number of occasions, I was impressed with the variety of food offered for each meal. For example, bacon and sausages,

as well as a variety of scrambled eggs (plain, cheese, mushroom, etc.) were available each morning, not just one of them each day as is more typical in most

cafeterias. The cereals, fruits and deserts were also varied and plentiful, but my personnel weakness was the soft ice cream machine that beckoned me after every meal. A sufficient variety, from pastas and meat dishes to breads and cheeses, along with healthy dishes, was available every lunch and dinner. I don't know what the

average gain in weight is at these seminars, but if airlines charged people by weight as they now do for luggage, the airline industry could have made a fortune on just the Summer Seminar participants, charging everyone many dollars more leaving than when we flew in. Although I will leave the Military Numismatics course details for the next installment, I will comment on the evening mini-sessions here. I participated in the Mint Mayhem, conducted by the principals of the Badger Mint, Joe Paonessa and George Cuhaj, along with 13 others. I cannot put into words the enthusiasm of the students when they played around with the minting equipment: the machine that reduced the thickness of the strip of metal to the required thickness; the punch press that punched blanks out of the strip of metal by the simple rotation of the flywheel; the old-fashioned screw press that

struck the blanks. Not only did you look after the production of your own blanks

and coins, but you got to keep what you produced. Needless to say, an error collector like me just had to take the opportunity to create all types of clips as well as striking off-centers, double and triple strikes, and well, you name the error, and chances are I have it. Too bad Badger

Press used a design promoting the ANA Florence Schook School of Numismatics rather than dies of actual U.S. and Canadian coinage. The Australians, Nik Sharplin and Tony James, put on a wonderful slide show of Australian POW and Internment Camp Currency, which was a mandatory extension of the Military Numismatics course. I, obviously, cannot cover each and every other evening session individually, so

let me summarize by saying that everyone I spoke to agreed that the sessions that they attended were rated excellent, both in content and instructors. You cant get any better than that!

Next Gram: Part Three: my take on the Military Numismatics course and comments about the instructors.

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The last question should not be hard to answer, but no one did, so it stay up

until we get an answer.

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EDITORIAL

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I do not remember seeing an article from Joe on Green Point Track POW notes.

They were not submissions during my time as your editor. I did a Google search

and saw the images of the four denominations and read a little history.

The notes are quite nice and I would ask Joe to resubmit his articles on them,

as I am sure that many of our subscribers would be interested as I am

(and we

can make Joe smile and not "Grump"). Over the years and through 1951

Grams

we have had a number of new subscribers who have never seen a lot of articles

and features that have been submitted. The idea here to solicit those of you

who have sent in features, like Joe's POW notes, in the past,

update the information where applicable, post them to the Gram for

republication. We have been talking about Mafeking and Boer War issues

and there

must be at one or two of you out there with some information and

scans to send in.

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Dear Editor:

I am so excited about MPC Fest XII. As everyone knows I am a huge fan of

everyone arriving on Thursday March 24, 2011; to enjoy the networking opportunities (as most past festers know this is just about all the free time you get). Fest XII really begins Friday night after dinner and goes through to Sunday afternoon. I also suggest staying Sunday to enjoy even more networking opportunities; I have seen multiple mini fests break out on this night. You never know what will happen at the Fest. I personally invite all of you back to have a fun filled and crazy weekend here at Port Clinton; and those of you who have never attended a fest here at Camp Leo May you are missing a grand and wonderful time. We invite you to come and enjoy the festivities of collectors around the world. On a more business note, please when e-mailing me your request to sign me up please include your check in and check out dates, addresses, and phone number where you can be reached. This helps me when making your reservation. I look forward to seeing each and every one of you. Payment must be made to Fred Schwan for all charges except incidentals at the hotel; which will be paid to the hotel. Once again it will be a fantastic time and I look forward to seeing each and every one of you back. Take care till we can meet again. Please add the following Festers to the list: Kathy and Dan Freeland and Howard

Daniel
Kim Bartish

Dear Editor,
Hi Gramsters!
I am working up an article on Michael and my recent field trip to the Museum of World War II out here in the Boston area. However, I wanted to write in quickly first to advise people coming to ANA in Boston next month. The Museum of

World War II can only be visited by appointment, and they have very limited spaces. They are only open on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Saturdays. You should e-mail the curator (Jeff Farrell: museumofworldwar2ii@yahoo.com) and explain your

interest, your limited schedule, and how much you want to go because it really is.... incredible. I promise to write a more thorough description very soon.
The museum is a little ways' from Boston, but well worth the trip. If you don't have a car, Michael and I could possibly help take people out there on the Monday before ANA or that Wednesday.
All the best,
Ray Feller

Dear Editor,
Another Boer War issue are the Green Point Track POW notes, which have been the subject of two or three columns by yours truly.
Nobody remembers them? Grump.
Joe Boling

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Info at: <http://www.pcdaonline.com/>
St. Charles Convention Center
Show information: Kevin Foley, kfoley2@wi.rr.com
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Probably a MiniFest, club meetings
Auction: Lyn Knight,
www.lynnknight.com

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St Charles Convention Center
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in a different hall.

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Baltimore Convention Center
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Santa Clara Coin, Stamp & Collectibles Expo
Santa Clara Convention Center
Nov 19 - 21, 2010

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Show info: <http://www.michigancoinclub.org/>
Exhibits, meetings, possible MiniFest

Houston's 54th Money Show of the Southwest
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Show info: www.houstoncoinshow.org

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Florida United Numismatists
Tampa Convention Center
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Exhibits, programs, probable MiniFest
Show info: www.funtopics.com
Exhibit Info: FranLockwood@aol.com
Auction which includes a large paper money sale
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Series 11, No. 1952 Friday, July 23rd, 2010

MY VISIT TO THE 2010 ANA SUMMER SEMINAR Part Three
The Military Numismatics Since 1930 Course - by John Regitko

My two previous installments covered the trip to Colorado Springs and the many benefits experienced by attendees. This, the final, installment covers the Military Numismatics Since 1930 course that I had the pleasure to attend.

On Saturday morning, July 3, I was picked up by my chauffeur, Tiny Cross, and dropped off at the building where I would spend the next six days learning about the history like they never taught me at school. What made it doubly entertaining was the fact that my favourite hobby was involved and the two

instructors handled the presentations in such a way that you could not help but be attentive.

The session opened with Fred Schwan conducting a quiz that made me wonder what the course would be about. He asked three simple questions: what do you call the two sides of a coin; what do you call the two sides of paper money; and what is the smallest denomination currently in use in the U.S. Although I got the first two right, I flunked the third. I was asked to research the meaning of the word currency as my homework. I consulted Websters Dictionary, Funk & Wagnell and Encyclopedia Britannica and learned that I, along with many collectors and dealers do not know the meaning of the word.

How often have I seen the name of a coin shop as, for example, Bobs Coins and Currency. It turns out that Bob actually named his store the equivalent of Bobs Coins and Coins and Currency, since currency includes the medium of exchange of both coins and paper money. I thought to myself: holly cow, I might actually learn something that is interesting and useful. A huge understatement, as the next six days would prove.

I only wish that all my schooling was as interesting as Freds presentations! I also wish that he would consider giving a mini-course to the newbies at MPC Fests in the way to study and learn from the various catalogues that were required for the course. Because of what he brought out, I will be able to work with and understand much better the books that were a course requirement: WWII Remembered, Military Payment Certificates and Silent Witnesses.

The second instructor, Joe Boling, who was teaching the advanced Military Numismatics course when he wasnt in our class, covered JIMs. Until I attended MPC Fests three years ago, I didnt even know what a JIM was. Now, thanks to Joes presentation during which he showed coloured slides of the wide world of JIMs, I am pretty well convinced that I will be starting a JIM collection.

Although Freds presentation covered equally interesting material, my decision to concentrate on JIMs is a result of the fact that people might describe the material Fred covered as being more suited for the collector with a higher discretionary spending budget than I.

Fred stressed the importance of doing homework, so I spend any free time studying the three mandatory reference books. Prior to this, I could not have answered questions such as which series of MPCs had more than one replacement run, the first series that included a \$20 note, the number and positions of serial numbers of the stacks of 8,000 notes, names and locations of printers of MPCs, the areas of the world where Japan issued invasion currency, and so much more.

I didnt know if I would answer the questions correctly on the test that Fred told us to expect on the last day, or intentionally provide incorrect answers, because I figured if I flunk, the MPC scholarship committee would again send me back next year to repeat the course along with all the fun and fellowship that I experienced this year.

But it was not to be. I called my wife after I received the graduation certificate and told her that I did not get a single answer wrong. What I didnt tell her was that because of Freds many fascinating stories that he managed to weave into the course so expertly, we ran out of time. And we didnt want to be late for the banquet that would honour volunteers such as Fred and Joe, who are willing to share their knowledge with those of us who have shown an interest in pursuing not only the fascination hobby of numismatics, but of the most historical numismatic collectibles that were the focus of the military numismatics course.

As well, I must pay tribute to the many volunteers that counseled the YNs that received scholarships from local coin clubs or other numismatic organizations, the ANA staff on hand to assure that everything went smoothly, and the front

line volunteers like Tiny Cross who chauffeured YNs and others around in the golf cart provided by the ANA and Colorado College, including yours truly who, due for knee replacement surgery, would otherwise have had trouble getting around and taking in all the diverse activities scheduled in various buildings operated by Colorado College. What a great service for the ANA to provide! And Tiny had the right personality to do the service justice.

And I just have to tell you about pay call, conversion and bond sale. Do you think Fred simply handed out remainder MPC Fest notes from the last Fest? No, because that would not be his style of issuing all kinds of serial numbers, varieties, overprints, misprints and (unintentional?) errors.

I just wish I had the franchise for rubber stamps that he purchased. Not only were there overprints specific to the 2010 ANA Summer Seminar, but he also had overprints for the bonds, which were dated July 4, 2010, in various redemption currencies (Canadian, Australian and American) and a few other overprints available only to those present.

I am not aware that he has previously issued overprints on notes or bonds in various colours, but he has now. What that amounted to was that if your specialty was bonds and you wanted one of each variety, as my traveling companion and fellow Canadian Dick Dunn did, it would deplete you of all the pay call and conversion notes.

A set of new unauthorized MPC Fest notes, suitably overprinted for distribution at the ANA Summer Seminar, were handed out at the Mini-Fest in Colorado Springs by yours truly. The only way to obtain a set if you did not attend the Mini-Fest will be to bid on a couple of sets in the donation auction at MPC Fest XI on Sunday, March 27, 2011.

As the Festers and other recipients of the Gram have heard me say before, the MPC Fests that I have attended have been the highlight of my long numismatic involvement, even higher than the many other happy events involving the CNA, ONA, TICF and local coin clubs.

Now I have another numismatic activity to judge and add to the list.
Where do I
fit in the military numismatics course and the ANA Summer Seminar?

Without hesitation, I rate it equal to the three MPC Fests that I have attended,
which I have previously rated as my most interesting numismatic activity ever.
When you consider that I am a past-president of the CNA, have attended many CNA
and ONA conventions and have been involved in a major way with coin shows and
local coin clubs, that is the highest numismatic compliment I could possible
give.

And I think that conclusion calls for a celebration: another series of Unauthorized MPC Fest XI notes that I will distribute next March.
Considering
that one of the United States of America occupation sets that I handed out
during my Show and Tell this past April sold for \$30 at the ANA auction in
Colorado Springs, I estimate that any new notes that I issue at MPC Fest XI in
2011 will bring at least four times that amount. This will be due to the fact
that they will be handed out only at the 2011 Fest, will therefore have a much
smaller press run, anybody that has my previous issues will want to continue to
collect a full series (wishful thinking?) and, last but not least, they will
again be distributed freebut not freely.

The only catch is that you will have to suffer through another of my Show
and
Tell presentations to obtain them!

In closing, I like to again thank Dan and Kathy Freeland and the MPC
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that bestowed a scholarship to me; to Fred Schwan and Joe Boling who made the
course so interesting, educational and fun to attend; to the team at ANA
headquarters for putting it all together; the volunteers that made sure I had
fun; and the participants, both scholars and instructors, that
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the fellowship everybody knew everybody by name by the time the week was
over.
And I will never forget Tiny for all he did to make sure I was able to attend
all activities.

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CHAMPIONSHIP QUESTION CORNER

Questions for this space from subscribers and always welcome and eagerly solicited.

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What was/is the highest denomination Philippine victory star note known in collections?

Answer next time.

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ANSWER TO PREVIOUS QUESTION

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Breakers Navy Recreation Center chits were printed by what company and in how many varieties?
You might also want to tell us where the club was located.

Answer:

The Breakers chits in 5c, 10c, 25c denominations printed by the Globe Ticket Company, LosAngeles.
David Klinger

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No one can say that John Regitko does not provide a full report. After reading of his experience I am even more determined to attend the Seminar in 2011.
Thanks John for an interesting report. John's fellow Canadian Dick Dunn submitted a report on the ROYAL CANADIAN NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION, 57th ANNUAL CONVENTION which will be featured in Monday's Gram. I was going to run both of them today, but I thought each report deserved to be its own feature. Upcoming we also have a great feature submitted by Jim Aiken about the attack on Pearl Harbor and some columns by Joe Boling.
We even have TWIIR from Fred.
Our cup runneth over with features for the next few Grams.

Go to the website and see examples of chits from the Breakers Navy Recreation Center, Territory of Hawaii, as submitted by David Klinger. Note as David

points out, the chits were made by the Globe Ticket Company and that in one instance, at least, the fact that they were "Union Made" is pointed out.

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Exhibits,
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Baltimore Convention Center
Nov. 4 - 7, 2010, Free admission
Auction by Bowers and Merena
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Santa Clara Coin, Stamp & Collectibles Expo
Santa Clara Convention Center
Nov 19 - 21, 2010

Michigan State Numismatic Society
Hyatt Regency Dearborn
Nov. 26 - 28, 2010, Free admission
Show info: <http://www.michigancoinclub.org/>
Exhibits, meetings, possible MiniFest

Houston's 54th Money Show of the Southwest
George R. Brown Convention Center, Free admission.
December 2 - 4, 2010
Show info: www.houstoncoinshow.org

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Florida United Numismatists
Tampa Convention Center
January 6 - 9, 2011, Free admission.
Exhibits, programs, probable MiniFest
Show info: www.funtopics.com
Exhibit Info: FranLockwood@aol.com
Auction which includes a large paper money sale
Heritage Auctions, www.HA.com

39th New York International (NYInc)
Waldorf Astoria, Admission charge
January 6 - 9, 2011
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Series 11, No. 1953 Monday, July 26th, 2010

SUBMARINES AND WAR BONDS
by Jim Aitken

A number of years ago, while living in Hawaii, my wife and I purchased a beach cottage across the street from Waimanalo Beach, East Oahu, Hawaii. The property was part of a family estate dating back to 1927. On December 7th, 1941, my late father-in-law, mother-in-law and my wife's oldest brother (then two) were living in the cottage. Japanese "Zero's" flew at palm tree level along the beach making a run on Bellow's Airfield, just a mile down the street.

The surprise was complete. The attacking planes came in two waves; the first hit its targets at 7:53 AM, second at 8:55 AM. By 9:55 AM it was all over. By 1:00 PM the carriers that launched the planes from 274 miles off the coast of Oahu were heading back to Japan.

As a part of this coordinated attack the Japanese Navy deployed FIVE, 46 ton, type "A" midget submarines. The Ko-hyoteki class submarine was attached to an I-class mother submarine and brought from Japan to be launched 5-6 hours before the aerial attack, within a few miles of Pearl Harbor. Each had a crew of two, one officer and one petty officer. The subs were battery powered, 78 feet long,

6 feet in diameter. They carried two torpedoes and a scuttling charge to avoid capture. These subs were built at Kure, Japan. (Seems we've heard about Kure in an earlier Gram) Although experimental in design, they were very advanced for the time, they could run at 20 knots. Having been completed only months before the attack, the crews had little time to train. All five of the attacking subs that day were sunk or captured. HA-19, one of the five subs, had a non-functioning gyro compass that prevented it from entering Pearl Harbor. After many adventures the sub pilot Ensign Kazuo Sakamaki went aground at Waimanalo Beach, east Oahu, Hawaii. Sakamaki was captured, becoming the first POW taken in the Pacific by Americans in WWII. Sakamaki had set the explosive charge to destroy his disabled submarine which was trapped on Waimanalo Beach. When the explosives failed to go off, he swam to the bottom of the sub to investigate the cause of failure and became

unconscious due to lack of oxygen. Sakamaki was found by a Hawaiian soldier,
David Akui, and taken into military custody.
HA-19 was salvaged and later sent to the United States mainland, where she
was featured at War Bond drives throughout the country. After WWII it
was on
exhibit in Key West, Florida. In 1991, HA-19 was moved to
Fredericksburg,
Texas where she remains on display at the Admiral Nimitz museum.
"Now for the rest of the story". Like most "Festers", I make feeble
attempts
NOT to expand my collection of MPC to other related areas. HOWEVER, at
the last

Fest. War Bonds (and related items) became an area of interest....Oh,
darn!
Just one or two can't hurt. While I knew about the HA-19 going aground
just
across the street in Waimanalo, I had no real interest...until I
purchased a
"War Bond Ticket" Admit one to view interior of captured Jap Submarine.
Market

Square, Harrisburg (PA), Monday, April 19th (1943) 10AM to 10PM No 5549.
I
also purchased two GPO post cards, one showing HA-19 just after arriving
in
California (rear view) and another post card while on tour in USA (front
view).

See <http://photos.papermoneyworld.net>
Sakamaki-san found the best kept secret in Hawaii when he went aground
at Waimanalo Beach. Miles of pure white sand, blue-green tropical water,
an
off-shore reef, and gentle Trade-winds to cool the 80 degree temperature.

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A REPORT ON THE ROYAL CANADIAN NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION, 57th ANNUAL
CONVENTION,
by Dick Dunn

The R.C.N.A. held its 57th annual convention in Saint John, New Brunswick
July
14th to 18th. The education symposium was on Wednesday 14th with the
following
presenters

Opening Remarks
Banking in the Maritime Provinces
Bank of New Brunswick

Henry Nienhus
Richard Becker
Dan Gosling

History of Saint John Coin Club

James Young

The Coins of Fort Beausejour

and Fort Gaspereau

Douglas Shand

Counterfeit 1870 \$1 Dominion notes

Bob Graham

Pre-confederation New Brunswick Tokens

Richard Bird

Medallions and APNA medals

Jeff Wilson

The bourse was open on Thursday, Friday and Saturday with about 70 dealers setting up, most of the dealers being Canadian with only 2 U.S. dealers with tables.

The auction was conducted by Geoffrey Bell Auctions, the first session was coin and tokens held Thursday evening, prices were a little soft compared to previous

sales of this material. The second session was Canadian paper money, prices were

very strong for the scare material, with many records being broken. The highlight of the auction was a Dominion of Canada 1925 \$500 note which sold for

\$205.000 plus the hammer price. I believe this note now resides in the U.S.

There was several tours available, whale watching, sightseeing, cruise on the St

John river with steak and lobster dinner. The number of exhibits were down a

little from previous years but the quality was exceptional, Fester Brett Irick

was awarded 2nd place for Canadian Coins. As there was only 2 festers at the

convention Brett Irick and myself we could not hold a mini fest, but we will be

able to hold a mini fest next year as the convention will be in Windsor, Ontario, just across the border from Detroit, Fester Brett Irick is the general

chairman for this convention, we would like to invite all Festers from around

that area to attend the convention, we will be holding the first Canadian mini

fest, so why not start making some plans for next year. Final plans for this

mini fest will be available at Fest 12 in Port Clinton, April 2011.

[It did come to my attention that despite the fact that only two Festers were

present, Brett met Dick's challenge and produced his challenge coin - Ed]

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CHAMPIONSHIP QUESTION CORNER

Questions for this space from subscribers and always welcome and eagerly solicited.

The only requirement is that you also provide the answer!

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What was/is the highest denomination Philippine victory star note known in collections?

Answer next time.

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ANSWER TO PREVIOUS QUESTION

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Breakers Navy Recreation Center chits were printed by what company and in how many varieties?
You might also want to tell us where the club was located.

Answer:

The Breakers chits in 5c, 10c, 25c denominations printed by the Globe Ticket Company, Los Angeles.
David Klinger

Answer:

Globe Ticket Company, 2 varieties, Honolulu, Hawaii.
The Myers

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EDITORIAL

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What a great story by Jim Aitken! First, imagine his family being there during the attack and being able to relate first hand accounts. Then to find an item directly related to the incident and being able to acquire it. The admission ticket fits in with Bond drives and War Loan drives and is n item I have not previously seen. I can

also identify with Jim's "feeble attempts" not to add to his collection, but, as well

all know, when something a little different, or previously not reported, comes along our curiosity gets

us looking and the collector "addiction" takes over. I would imagine there are more items like the

admission ticket out there for one of us to find.

As an added bit of information, if I am not mistaken, Ensign Kazuo Sakamaki became US POW #1 of World War II and was reviled in Japan for allowing himself to be captured.

Dick Dunn's idea of a Canadian Minifest at the next Royal Canadian Numismatic Association Convention is a good one and we should look forward to the details. According to the Internet the start date is set for July 14, 2011.

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Dear Editor,

First, I attempted to send Feedback via your site at <http://www.papermoneyworld.net/feedbackfred.htm> , and got an error message.

Wayne Homren suggested I write you regarding MPC Gram. In the recent E-Sylum was a request for a book, which I am able to supply.

My response to him follows, which you can use as you see fit:

Re: The E-Sylum v13#29, July 18, 2010
Volume , Number 29, July 18, 2010
QUERY: ALAIN DEBELDER'SBELGISCHNOODGELD SOUGHT
Howard A. Daniel III writes:
Over a couple of years, I have heard or had people write to me requesting I assist them in acquiring a numismatic reference BelgischNoodgeld (in Flemish) and Les Billets deNecessiteBelges (in French)
ORDERS INVITED!
I have located a supply of this book, for the normal retail price of 37.5 euros,

plus \$4/postage to the USA (\$50 plus \$4 in US dollars). As I need to order a quantity to get a favorable price, persons interested in a copy should write me immediately at hartzog@exonumia.com. I will then order and ship as promptly as possible.

While I haven't updated my book list lately, I do attempt to stock most exonumia books, at www.exonumia.com/books.htm .

Rich Hartzog POB 4143 Rockford IL 61110 www.exonumia.com

Dear Editor,
Please add Brian Giese and William Myers to the list of attendees for
Fest XII.
Kim Bartish

Dear Editor,
I want to thank those who have responded re: the Fest awards list. Fred
and I
wanted to compile a list of the recipients before memories fade more then
they
have. I had planned to go through the old Grams, but right after I sent
the list

to the Gram I went on a 10 day mission with the Arny. I provided medical
support

to a chemical unit that was decontaminating casualties from a 10 KT
nuclear
blast just outside the Jennings County Fair Grounds, IN. (It is south of
Camp
Atterbury which is south of Indianapolis). If you missed it on Fox
News or CNN it is because it was just a training exercise. It was part of
exercise Vibrant Response. I am currently part of a CBRNE (Chemical,
Biological,

Radiological, Nuclear, high Explosive) mission for Homeland Security. It
is a
mission I certainly hope to never have to do in real life. While I was
away, I
had no mobility or free time so I was unable to even think about trying
to see
Joe, even though I was in his neck of the woods. Once I do complete the
list of
award recipients, I will send it to the Gram
Bill Myers

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David Seelye
thempcman@verizon.net

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WANTED SECTION:
Collectors may submit lists of items wanted for their collections for listing here.
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2011 Donors Military Numismatics Scholarship Fund
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Hi Larry & Roger, I took the list of donors from the auction booklet and added names of people who gave at least \$10 or more to Kathy or myself. Larry, Do you have any names to add to the list.

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Worlds Fair of Money (WFOM)
Info at: www.money.org
Admission of \$6 for non members of ANA
August 10-14, 2010
Hynes Convention Center, Boston, MA
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Green Point Track Notes,
by Joe Boling

12 March 2008 submission
In Gram 1611 the editor reported on some of the show-and-tell presentations at Fest IX. One went by like this: "John Cheney showed us 1, 2 and 5 shilling POW notes used in 1900 during the Boer War."
What John has is a set of three of the notes used by Boer POWs at the Green Point [bicycle] Track camp near Cape Town during the Boer War (Campbell 4851-53). His notes are framed and are attributed to the commandant of the camp
- as having been his personal display set (John, chime in if I'm mis-remembering

anything). Campbell also reports ten shilling and one pound notes, although I don't know anyone who has ever seen those denominations. The fact that John Cheney's set does not include them makes me suspect that those denominations may

not exist.
There are replicas of these denominations in the market, so I was especially

interested in seeing his allegedly original pieces. I have pieces from two different productions in my collection, and since I had taken my whole collection to Fest, it was an easy matter to retrieve them and do some side-by-side examinations. Incidentally, one could also make the argument that since John's set does not include the high denominations, his set may be composed of the later replicas, and might not be from the camp commandant after all. My watermarked notes are printed on cream-colored thin smooth paper that is very

bright when held to a light. A pattern of tiny thin spots can be seen in the paper when a light is behind it. My unwatermarked notes are printed on dense paper that feels thicker (barely) and softer (barely), and is the same color as the watermarked paper. This paper looks a bit gray when held to a light next to a note on the watermarked paper, and the tiny thin spots that appear in it are not as obvious. John's notes are under glass, with the back of the frame sealed. We did not open

the frame. His notes are held by their corners on a black fabric background that

is very irregular, so that the notes stand up from the background in many places. We were unable to see any watermark in the paper of his notes. The ones that I have that bear a watermark do not show it boldly like the British white notes; the watermark is a manufacturer's watermark consisting of several words of text and a crest that might be a lion. It does not appear in the same degree of detail in every note - a given note might show only a few letters, a sliver of the crest, or (in one case), no trace of the watermark (more about that below). It is difficult to see the watermark when holding a note to a light source - I am not surprised that we could not see watermarks in John's notes, if indeed they are there. So we had to compare some other feature. But, the black cloth behind the notes allowed us to see the pattern of thin spots in a few places (from the paper-making screen at the paper mill). At least

superficially, his notes looked like they were on the same paper as my watermarked notes.

Of my two sets (each containing five notes, although the sets are not perfect

matches for color/denomination combinations), one is printed by

letterpress and

the other seems to be lithographed. They show distinct differences in printing

sharpness and in uniformity of the design - the letterpress notes are clearly

superior. As it happens, my letterpress notes are also the ones that have the

watermark.

So I laid my better-quality pieces next to John's and examined the pairs under

bright light - looking for printing defects. The plates are littered with them.

And, almost without fail, a defect on one of my better-quality notes was matched

by a defect on one of his.

The result of all this studying is that I believe my watermarked notes are the

unissued remainders that Campbell mentions. I believe my UNwatermarked notes are

the replicas that all catalogers mention - except for one piece. When notes are

printed on paper with a manufacturer's watermark, not all notes may show portions of the watermark. One of my unwatermarked notes is clearly on the same

paper as the watermarked pieces, and shares their details. Therefore, the absence of a watermark is not prima facie evidence that a Green Point

Track note

is bad (just as the presence of one does not necessarily mean that the note is

printed on the same paper as the original pieces). But I am reasonably sure, if

the attribution of John Cheney's notes is correct, that one set of my notes is

original - so if you have some that you want to have authenticated, let me know.

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What is the highest denomination Indian Defense Savings Certificate?

Answer next time.

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ANSWER TO PREVIOUS QUESTION

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What was/is the highest denomination Philippine victory star note known in collections?

Answer:
500 pesos; one known
The Myers

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EDITORIAL

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Larry Smulczenski often tells me: "my forgetter is getting better" regarding his recollections, or, actually lack thereof. Joe did not forget his articles on MafekingSiege notes and the presentations from Fest IX, but I surely did and I want to thank Joe for jogging my memory. I recall now seeing John Cheney's presentation and remarking at the time what a great piece of history from over a hundred years ago was salvaged. I checked the website to see if there were any images of John's notes with negative results. Perhaps John could take a photograph and send in a scan for inclusion on the website.

For those of you who plan to attend the ANA in Boston, a reminder that the IBNS meeting will be held on Saturday August 14th from 1100 to 1200 in the Gardner Room at the Sheraton Boston. There will be a short presentation on Mafeking Siege notes and

all in attendance will receive a complimentary souvenir card. Immediately following

the IBNS meeting, a Minifest is scheduled in the the same room and all participants with

a show-and-tell item will be eligible for pay which will be in the form of a special note commemorating the 65th anniversary of the end of World War II. Both the souvenir card and the notes will be available after the show for a modest fee in FRNs with all profits going to the Scholarship Fund.

Andrew Keene has requested information on JIM block numbers so please see his request list in the Wanted Section below. In addition, there are more shows listed in the Calendar for 2011, so have a look there also.

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Dear Editor,
The dates for the RCNA convention next year in Windsor start just six days after

summer seminar closes. It will be a tough choice to add it into the summer.
Joe Boling

Dear Editor,
I called and registered for Fest XII
Nick Sharpin

Dear Editor,
Attached are photos from the IPMSMinifest in Memphis
John and Nancy Wilson
[The images are on the website - Ed.]

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David Seelye
thempcman@verizon.net

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WANTED (GRAM 1954 - 7-28-10)

Hello JIM Collectors!
As many of you know I am working on a book on JIM notes and I am at the point where I am aggressively pursuing the confirmation of block letters that are not yet confirmed.
Below is the list of block letters that I don't have confirmed yet. If you own any of these, I would appreciate you letting me know. If you know for certain you have seen a certain piece, also let me know.

Burma
1c
BH, BQ, BL, BV, BW, B/AA,, B/AB, B/AP, B/AW, B/AZ, B/BB, B/BC, B/CF through
B/BX, B/CI, B/CJ, B/CS, B/DB, B/DC through B/DI, B/DM through B/DP, B/DR, B/DS,
B/DU through B/EM, B/EO, B/EP, B/ER through B/EZ

5c
BQ, BU through BZ, B/AC through B/AG, B/AO, B/AW, B/AY, B/AZ, B/BB through B/BD,

B/BI, B/BJ, B/BL, B/BN, B/BO, B/BR, B/BS through B/BW, B/BY, B/BZ
10c
BT, BX< B/AC, B/AE, B/AF, B/AG, B/AJ, B/AL, B/AO through B/AZ, BH, BI, BL, BR,
BT through BZ

Rupee
BH, BI, BL, BR, BT through BZ

Malaya

1c

MA, B/BI, M/BJ, M/BS through M/CC, M/CF, M/CK, M/CQ, M/CS, M/DM

5c

M/AD, M/AH, M/AL, M/AU, M/AW, M/AY, M/BA through M/BL, M/BN through M/BZ

10c

MC, MD, MY, M/AC, B/AH through M/AK, M/BC, M/BD through M/BE, M/BG through M/BS,

M/BU through M/BY, M/CC, M/CG, M/CH, M/CJ, M/CK, M/CM, M/CQ through M/CZ

50c

MN

\$1

MP through MR

\$5

ML through MQ, MK horizontal quadrille

\$10

MB with serial number, MO, MF- SOEcft, MK- SOEcft, MN- horizontal quadrille,

MP- horizontal quadrille

NEI

1c

SF, SH, SI, SK, SL, SN, SO, S/AV through S/BD, S/BH, S/BJ, S/BK, S/BN, S/BO,

S/BR, S/BS, S/CA, S/CC, S/CF, S/CH, S/CJ, S/CL, S/CN, S/CO, S/CQ, S/CU, S/DK,

S/EB, S/EC, S/EV, S/EW, S/FF, S/FH, S/FJ, S/FN through S/FR, S/FU, S/FV, S/FW,

S/FY, S/FZ, S/GA, S/GC, S/CD, S/CE, S/GG through S/GK, S/GM through S/GZ

5c

S2 through S12, SD, SJ, SN, SP, SQ, S/AK, S/AU, S/BA through S/BE, S/BU through

S/BW, S/CB through S/CG, S/CI through S/DZ

10c

S16 through S18, SG, SI, SN, SS, SU through SX, S/AA, S/AC, S/BH, S/CG through

S/CI, S/CN, S/CV, S/CX, S/CZ through S/DD, S/DG through S/DJ, S/DQ, S/DS through

S/DZ, S/EB through S/EO, S/ER through S/EZ

1/2G

SB no watermark, SI, SM

1G

SJ through SM

10G

SJ, SK, SI wove quadrille paper, SI horizontal quadrille paper

Thanks,

Andrew Keene

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TWIRR #52
by Fred Schwan

I have not told you about my collection of World War II pocket guides recently.
You will (perhaps) know that I collect these country guides. Most were published by

the War department. A few others were produced by the local intelligence staff because the area was not large enough to justify a War Department product (think Gilbert Islands). There were also semi official and straight commercial products that sort of fit into the series.
My original intent was to get these for background/period information/perspective on the respective areas for the second edition of Remembered. Then of course there sometimes is numismatic information in the guides (exchange rates and the like.) One thing led to another and now I seriously collect them as a collecting project of their own.
I am not sure how many I have, or even how many countries I have since there are

multiple editions of some of the guides--of course I collect them all.
For all of the War Department country guides that I have, there is a corresponding

language guide. So far I am successfully avoiding collecting the language guides. However, they are important to my country guide collection because they provide clues about country guides that I do not have. I assume that if there is

a language guide that there is also a country guide. There is another category of pocket guide. They were also produced by Canada and England. I have a few of the British, but none of the Canadian. All of this brings me to the point. Saturday, (19 July) I received a purchase from England. It was mailed March 23rd! Not only had I given up on the package, I was quite upset. That is because the package included a pocket guide that I really wanted. There is a little bit of good news. I found out that it was too late for me to leave positive feedback on this seller, but at least I had not left negative feedback (having given the seller the benefit of doubt). The guide in question is for Tunisia. I have only seen it on eBay twice. The first time I bid substantially for it--much more than I had ever paid for one of

these guides--and did not get close. I was not even the under-bidder! That means

that there were at least TWO people out there who were willing to pay more than I was for the guide. I was amazed--and disappointed that I did not get. Eventually another Tunisian guide appeared on eBay and of course I was the winning bidder. Now you can understand why I was upset about the late package. To look at the good side, I was delighted to have my Tunisian guide. It is a British product although this is not clearly stated anywhere. It was probably produced in 1943 although this too is not clearly stated. Possibly it was in 1942. More careful study of the guide might further clarify this matter. It does

have a nice history and social discussions, but only the slightest bit of numismatics. That being that it tells readers to haggle when buying anything in a market. There is more good news to the story. The long-lost parcel included a second pamphlet--Services Guide to Cairo. I had forgotten entirely about this because I

was so focused on the Tunisia guide. The Cairo guide is a duplicate (I think), but I do not think that I studied the first one in the detail that I have studied this one and I am certain that I have not told you about it. First of all it is a commercial guide. That is immediately obvious because of the substantial amount of advertising included. To me at least and from the vantage point of 70 years, the advertising is interesting too. The guide was published by the Co-ordinating Council for Welfare Work in Egypt although there is no information to explain what this council was. Page 37 lists postal rates. It is interesting that these are the rates within the (British) military postal system. This is in spite of the fact that this is not clearly stated and more importantly because most everything else in the booklet is not from this perspective. For example, the very next page lists taxi

fares in piastres.

By far the most interesting part is the listings of clubs available to service members of many countries. The key here is that at least some of these clubs likely issued chits or some other kind of numismatic relic. Most importantly, some of these (imaginary) chits might well have had the club name only without country making them mavericks in token jargon.

Cathedral Hall (Entertainments for Members of H.M. Forces

The Empire

Empire Services Club

Hibbert House

Indian Soldiers' Club

Jewish Welfare Committee for Sailors Soldiers and Airmen

Music for All

New Zealand Forces Club

Osborne House Junior Officers Club

Red Shield Hostel (Salvation Army operation--note Dick Freyser)

Services Club

Services Library and Victory Tea Rooms

South African Officers Club

South African Women's Services' Club

The Springbock Club

Soldiers' and Airmen's Home

Talbot House -- TOC H (known to have issued chits in other places)

Tipperary Tea Clubs

YMCA Gresham Court

YWCA Services Club

British YWCA War Service [club]

YWCA

In addition to these clubs, there is a small list of what are called sporting clubs--tennis and even golf. The booklet includes a fairly comprehensive listing

of services available at the respective club including prices for things like lodging and tea. I am confident that there are some chits out there. Whether we can ever find them is another matter. One final point. It is very surprising to me that four of the clubs were exclusively for women. It would be really great to find a chit from one of those clubs!

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CHAMPIONSHIP QUESTION CORNER

Questions for this space from subscribers and always welcome and eagerly solicited. The only requirement is that you also provide the answer!

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What is the geometric figure that dominates the DurchcanglagerAmersfoort notes?

Answer next time.

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ANSWER TO PREVIOUS QUESTION

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What is the highest denomination Indian Defense Savings Certificate?

Answer:
1000 Rupees,
The Myers

What is /was the highest denomination Philippine victory star note known in collections?

Answer:
500 pesos; one known
The Myers

Answer:
The highest victory note made as a star note was the 500 peso note.
Sam Feedback

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EDITORIAL

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Sparky has found yet another example of why many of us are not fans of slabbed notes.

Go to the link to see for yourself. I asked this before, but it still makes me wonder, why would you slab a note and then list it for sale for under ten dollars? How much does slabbing cost? I'll bet it is more than the asking price for the note.

Next in Gram 1954 I confused Nick Schrier with Nick Sharpin as I just looked at the first name which was how the letter was signed. I relied on the Binhost subscriber listing for a last name and the entry was not correct - it is now.

Another matter I would like a little help with concerns the format and layout of the Gram.

We use spell check and do our best to get the spacing and indexing to look right, but the copy I receive is

not the same as the way I composed it and it gets very frustrating. There is also the occasional problem of those pesky arrowheads (>) that precede each line of text that have to be removed which takes a lot of time. I'd like a little feedback from out there.

If you have experienced these errors please let me know. I have not had this problem when working with the word processor or anything else when writing on this computer.

It only occurs with Yahoo and if anyone out there has any suggestions, I would welcome them.

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Dear Editor,

A friend of mine in Fredericksburg TX is the treasurer of the George Bush

Gallery (named after George 41 not 43) with the Jap mini sub that was recovered

from Pearl Harbor is on display in Central Texas!!!

If you want details I can forward a PDF story from the Texas Highway mag.
Really an interesting place.
Interesting that about 5,000 Nisei were in the military at the outbreak
of the
war and they were declared 4F immediately or 4 C-- enemy aliens
Nick Schrier stersource@aol.com

Dear Editor,
I appreciate those that wrote me with block letters on my list of
unconfirmed
pieces- it helps enormously in my research. I found a few errors on the
list I
originally sent out as well as a few I was able to take off as they were
recently confirmed. Below is my updated list. If you own any piece(s) on
this
list, I would very much appreciate you letting me know. Thank you very
much!
Andrew Keene
[See the updated listing in the Wanted Section - Ed.]

Dear Editor,
In John's report on summer seminar, he was greeting at the airport by
George
Cuhaj and Tiny Cross. He dealt with Joe later in the week.
Yes, it does all blend together.
George Cuhaj

Dear Editor,
<http://cgi.ebay.com/ws/eBayISAPI.dll?ViewItem&item=250673642553>
No words are needed for this glaring example of a graded note.
Mark Watson

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Series 11, No. 1956 Friday, July 30th, 2010

Odds and Ends,
by Joe Boling

Not only did the WASPS not get individual gold medals, having to settle for the bronze US Mint copies of their Congressional Gold Medal, but they had to pay for

them individually themselves! What a crock. As it happens, the Heart of Texas chapter of the Military Officers Association of America organized a fund-raising

effort that paid for some of the surviving WASPS' medals - say around fifty or

so.

In the July issue of Military Officer (the house organ of the MOAA) an article

appeared about Series E bonds having reached full maturity - no longer paying

interest. One statement brought me up short - it says "You can cash in \$1,000

worth of bonds at one time." Really? Why is there any limit? If you own the

bonds, why can't you redeem them all at once, no matter how many you have accumulated - particularly if they are no longer paying interest? And what does

"at one time" mean - a group every thirty minutes, or every thirty days? Some of

you bond fanatics need to educate me on whether this statement is accurate, and

if it is, how the government can tell you how many bonds are redeemable at one

time. Yes, I know there were limits on the amount that could be bought in a

year - but I can't think of any legitimate reason for placing limits on redemption.

1 April 2008 submission

This is written on 1 April, but there is nothing foolish about it.

Following my

article about the Green Point Track notes that John Cheney showed us at Fest IX,

another Gramster has sent me five notes from that camp. Included is a note of a

different type that is signed by the assistant commandant. Here is what I learned about these notes:

The signed note is significantly different from the notes illustrated in Campbell, and that most of us have. This is a well-used VG lilac one shilling

note. Instead of counters on rectangular tablets at top right and left, it has

counters on roundels in the same positions. Instead of the written denomination

text being white on a ruled tablet at center, it has the denomination in dark

lilac letters on a ruled tablet at center. The text under the tablet is the same

as on the Campbell-illustrated pieces, except that it has a comma following the

word "only." Thus, "Payable on demand to Prisoners of War only, at the canteen

Green Point Track." (I consider this to have a somewhat different meaning than

the text without the comma. Perhaps that is why it was changed - maybe the

remainders were deemed to be incorrect, were stashed, and have come down to us

without ever having been used.) The italic font of this text is similar to, but

not the same as, the font on the remainders and replicas.

Handwritten diagonally across the note in black ink is the following inscription:

955 [diagonally in upper left corner, evidently a serial number]

J. J. Grydellperkins [underlined]

Capt.

Asst. Comdt.

P.O.W.

14/6/00

The paper that this note is printed on is identical to the paper that the remainders are printed on. Using the ten notes at hand (five of mine, five of

his), I have rendered the watermark as:

' ' CROXLEY MANIFEST BANK ' ' LONDON

I am sure about all of these words except "manifest." Examination of more notes

will assist in nailing that word down. Above the text is a large coat of arms consisting of a lion rampant left, holding a staff, from which a banner flies that contains text that I have not been able to read. Also in the paper is a very subtle diamond pattern, with sides about 3mm and diamonds about 6m tall. This is not a watermark, but a pattern left by the screen upon which the paper was manufactured. It is, as I said, very subtle, and visible only when the light

coming through the paper is at certain angles. As in my collection, one of the five notes owned by this collector has no watermark, but is on the same paper. Some notes carry only a single letter of the watermark, others significant portions of text. None that I have seen so far

has the entire coat of arms - I had to piece that together just like the text. So, I am confident that the watermarked notes in the market are indeed remainders, as they have long been described to be (since they share the paper of the signed and used note). The unwatermarked notes in the market are replicas

of the remainders - they are of lower printing quality, and are NOT on the original paper. I repeat my offer to examine Green Point Track notes that other Gramsters may own, and to render an opinion as to their originality. I'll let Dave Klinger do the research on Capt. Grydellperkins and Croxley paper.

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CHAMPIONSHIP QUESTION CORNER
Questions for this space from subscribers and always welcome and eagerly solicited. The only requirement is that you also provide the answer!
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Where was the SS concentration camp in Italy located?
[Remember it is in Italy, so the answer has to be in Italian!!]

Answer next time.
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ANSWER TO PREVIOUS QUESTION
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What is the geometric figure that dominates the DurchcanglagerAmersfoort notes?

Answers:

A perfectly centered equilateral triangle surrounded by an ornate rectangle.

Murray Hanewich

IBNS #3649

Bill Myers and Harold Kroll also correctly answered a triangle

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EDITORIAL
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We all hope that Jane Talso will continue to recover and be well soon and we hope to see her at Fest XII. Warner and Jane are appreciative of all the letters and cards.

After I read Colin's letter I asked him if he had purchased the chit he mentions

and he replied that he had not. But, he will see the seller in the next couple of weeks. At the very least we should get a scan of the chit in question. In the meantime, anyone out there have any information on these Gulag chits? I looked in my edition of Campbell where a number of World War I paper issues are listed but I did not see the word GULAG. There are two listings for World War II, Kondrowo, one issue of 20 kopecks and P.O.W. Camp N-84 which had issues of one and five rubles. All three of these notes/chits are listed as quite expensive. A scan of the chit would be most helpful.

The auction Howard Daniel mentions has a number of bonds so it might be worth a look for those of you in the Bond Blast field.

I have tried to compose the Gram in the way suggested by Don Kolkman, but as I replied to him, Yahoo does what Yahoo wants.

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Dear Editor,

I am not very well organized and tend to focus on the next medical appointment.

Jane is doing as well as can be expected. I'm not sure what I told you last, but

she has stage one ovarian cancer. Surgery was successful and removed all (?) of

the cancer cells. She had minor surgery to install a port on her upper chest

(as an IV). She starts chemo-therapy on August 11th.

The communications from Festers, Seminararians, and Gramsters has been amazing.

So many people wishing Jane well. We are truly blessed to have so many friends

that care. Jane received a very nice arrangement of flowers on June 26th from

"The Tiger Lillies and Festers" She sends her heartfelt thanks.

I, of course, had to cancel my attendance at Summer Seminar. To my surprise, we

received several cards from the Military Numismatics class. All of them containing some notes from the class. We got a note signed by the class members, and Judy, that had a partial pay for me. The Theater AFC appeared to

be Crowns and Pence. Is there a Camp May HQ Regulation by which I can participate in conversion to MFC?

Jane received a card signed by the class and mailed by the Freelands.

Very

thoughtful.

We received a card, again signed by the Seminararians, with a set for training

notes in it. I offered them to Jane, but she said I could keep them. I can

only hope that the class did not suffer too badly without me as Training Officer.

Bill Myers sent me a card signed by the Mini-Festers and containing a note he

prepared commemorating the event. Again, thank you.

Larry Gibbs sent me two Mini-Fest notes from the C Springs Coin Show Mini-Fest.

Thanks, Larry.

Flowers and cards, our cup runneth over.

I received the souvenir card you sent. Very interesting. It's a good one. I

will send you a donation soon - and include a donation for other notes I have

received - it may not be necessary, but I am so inclined.

Jane and I have reserved a room in the Holiday Inn Express for FEST XII.

I

talked to "Martha". Apparently Kim is out for some surgery. Martha didn't

sound too well briefed, so I wonder if you are getting all the names that may be

registered.

All for now.
Best Regards,
Warner Talso

Dear Editor,
Very interesting and important article [Fred's TWIRR]; will archive it for sure among my files, thanks!
As for club chits etc, I can say that there is some sort of chits for the following, which I have found:
Jewish Welfare Committee for Sailors Soldiers and Airmen
British YMCA - Shanghai
The Jewish Welfare Committee issued many items: library cards, gift vouchers
(receipts for the buyers sending them abroad), one actual canteen coupon for
20mil and even a ration card for army use specially printed in Palestine for the

war surfaced recently.
There was also a 'Tel Aviv Hospitality Committee' (WVS) during the war, which offered services and entertainment for soldiers arriving in Tel Aviv (a pamphlet and a members service-badge surfaced, use by the women who worked there).
I attached also a map, the back side with club information.
Neil Kaplan

Dear Editor,
At a Milwaukee spring coin show I was offered a gulag paper chit, one of the scarcest items and I didn't even know they existed as the penalty for getting them out is rather harsh indeed. My question is were any issued during WW II when the gulags were overflowing with with civilians, politicals and captured soldiers?
Cheers,
Colin Bruce

Dear Editor,
There are probably pieces in this auction of interest to Gramsters.
<http://www.liveauctioneers.com/item/7705428>
Howard Daniel

Dear Editor,

I have found that when I type I have to just continue typing and let the program

I'm using do the moving to the next line. If I hit enter to get to the next

line, it will always be different on someone else's page; including e-mails!

Your page setup might be different than the recipient.

Don't know if that's part of your problem or not.

Happy collecting!

Don Kolkman

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UPDATE FOR KEENE JIM BLOCK LETTER LIST

Burma

1c

BH, BL, BQ, BV, BW, B/AP, B/AW, B/AZ, B/BB, B/BC, B/CF through B/BV, B/BX, B/CI, B/CJ, B/CS, B/DB, B/DC, B/DF, B/DG, B/DI, B/DM THROUGH B/DP, B/DR, B/DS, B/DU THROUGH B/EM, B/EO, B/EP, B/ER THROUGH B/EZ

5c

BU through BZ, B/AC through B/AG, B/AO, B/AW, B/AY, B/AZ, B/BB through B/BD,
B/BI, B/BO, B/BR, B/BU through B/BW, B/BY, B/BZ

10c

BT, BX, B/AE, B/AF, B/AG, B/AL, B/AO through B/AZ
Rupee

BH, BI, BL, BR, BT through BZ

Malaya

1c

M/BI, M/BJ, M/BS through M/CC, M/CF, M/CS, M/DM

5c

M/AD, M/AH, M/AU, M/AW, M/AY, M/BB through M/BK, M/BN through M/BZ

10c

MC, MD, M/AH through M/AJ, M/BC, M/BQ, M/BS, M/BV THROUGH M/BY, M/CG,
M/CH,
M/CJ, M/CK, M/CM, M/CQ THROUGH M/CZ

50c

MN

\$1

MP through MR

\$5

ML through MQ, MK horizontal quadrille

\$10

MB with serial number, MO, MF- SOEcft, MK- SOEcft, MN- horizontal
quadrille, MP-

horizontal quadrille

NEI

1c

SF, SH, SI, SK, SL, SN, SO, S/AV through S/BD, S/BH, S/BJ, S/BK, S/BN,
S/BO,
S/BR, S/BS, S/CF, S/CH, S/CL, S/CN, S/CQ, S/CU, S/EB, S/EC, S/EW, S/FF,
S/FH,
S/FJ, S/FO through S/FR, S/FU, S/FV, S/FW, S/FY, S/FZ, S/GA, S/GC, S/CD,
S/CE,
S/GS/GI, S/GK, S/GM THROUGH S/GZ

5c

S2 through S12, SD, SJ, SN, SP, SQ, S/AK, S/AU, S/BB through S/BD, S/CB
through
S/CF, S/CI through S/CK, S/CM THROUGH S/DZ

10c

S16 through S18, SA, SG, SI, SN, SS, SU through SX, S/AA, S/AC, S/CG
through

S/CI, S/CN, S/CV, S/CZ through S/DD, S/DG, S/DI, S/DJ, S/DQ, S/DS through
S/DZ,

S/EB through S/EO, S/ER through S/EZ

1/2G

SB no watermark, SI, SM

1G

SJ through SM

10G>SJ, SK, SI woven quadrille paper, SI horizontal quadrille paper

Andrew Keene

andrewkeene@me.com

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Hi Larry & Roger, I took the list of donors from the auction booklet and
added

names of people who gave at least \$10 or more to Kathy or myself. Larry,
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you have any names to add to the list.

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Info at: www.money.org
Admission of \$6 for non members of ANA
August 10-14, 2010
Hynes Convention Center, Boston, MA
Exhibits, Educational Programs, Club meetings
BEP Card
Auction Heritage Galleries
www.HA.com

Long Beach Coin, Stamp & Collectible Expo
Long Beach Convention & Entertainment Center
September 8-10, 2010, Admission charge.
Discount coupon available at site:
<http://longbeachexpo.com/>
HA Auction & probably CAA sale,
www.HA.com

Whitman Philadelphia Expo
Pennsylvania Convention Center
Sept. 30 - Oct. 2, 2010, Free admission.
Exhibits,
Info at: www.whitmanexpo.com
Auction's by Bowers and Merena,
<http://www.bowersandmerena.com/>
& Stack's, <http://stacks.com/>

25th Annual National & World Paper Money Convention

Info at: <http://www.pcdaonline.com/>
St. Charles Convention Center
Show information: Kevin Foley, kfoley2@wi.rr.com
October 13 - 16, 2010, Free admission
Probably a MiniFest, club meetings
Auction: Lyn Knight,
www.lynnknight.com

The Silver Dollar & Rare Coin Expo
St Charles Convention Center
Oct 14 - 16, 2010
Scotsman auction, Free Admission
Same location as the PCDA show but
in a different hall.

Whitman Coin and Collectibles Baltimore Expo
Baltimore Convention Center
Nov. 4 - 7, 2010, Free admission
Auction by Bowers and Merena
<http://www.bowersandmerena.com/>

Santa Clara Coin, Stamp & Collectibles Expo
Santa Clara Convention Center Nov 19 - 21, 2010

Michigan State Numismatic Society
Hyatt Regency Dearborn
Nov. 26 - 28, 2010, Free admission
Show info: <http://www.michigancoinclub.org/>
Exhibits, meetings, possible MiniFest

Houston's 54th Money Show of the Southwest
George R. Brown Convention Center, Free admission.
December 2 - 4, 2010
Show info: www.houstoncoinshow.org

Show Calendar 2011

Florida United Numismatists
Tampa Convention Center
January 6 - 9, 2011, Free admission.
Exhibits, programs, probable MiniFest
Show info: www.funtopics.com
Exhibit Info: FranLockwood@aol.com
Auction which includes a large paper money sale
Heritage Auctions, www.HA.com

39th New York International (NYInc)
Waldorf Astoria, Admission charge
January 6 - 9, 2011
Should be discount coupon on the
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Series 11, No. 1957 Thursday, August 5th, 2010

Australian War Memorial,
by Nancy Green

I visited my son in Australia this summer and wanted to let all the
Gramsters
know about the Australian War Memorial in Canberra. it chronicles the war
experiences of the Aussies beginning with Gallipoli in WWI. The exhibits
include

recordings, life size depictions of events, dioramas and exhibits from
the home
front. Numismatically, there was no military currency (or I missed it)
but of
course the military decorations were amazing. They have the largest known
collection of Victoria Crosses. This exhibit includes a picture of the
recipient

and a description of the events and actions for which he earned the honor.

The museum is huge and I was almost not sorry the WWII European Theater was

closed. There was even a life size depiction of a chopper landing in the Viet

Nam jungle complete with sound track, soldiers, and wind simulating the effect

of the chopper blades on the jungle grass.

One interesting numismatic item was a medal (as in Orders & Decorations) made

from 8 reales found on the German SMSEmden when it was captured by the HMAS

Sydney during WWI. The medals were distributed to the crew of the Sydney and some

were sold. The 8 reales was suspended from a crown with the date,

November 9,

1914.

In addition to the museum, the street leading from the War Memorial towards the

Australian National Capitol is lined with huge sculptures for each of the wars

the Australians have fought in. Amazing and very moving.

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CHAMPIONSHIP QUESTION CORNER

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What currency printing operation (by name) was critical to Operation Overlord?

Answer next time.

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ANSWER TO PREVIOUS QUESTION

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Where was the SS concentration camp in Italy located?

[Remember it is in Italy, so the answer has to be in Italian!!]

Answer:

Bozen

The Myers

Answer:

Tough one...what do you do if you don't speak Italian !!

anyway, the SS camp was called Bozen, located in the Province of Bolzano-Bozen in Northern Italy.

No issues, I believe, are known for this Camp which was closed in late 1943 after the Allied Invasion of Italy.
Brent Arthurson
IBNS Perth Chapter

Answer:
Trieste, Italy
The 16 SS Reischsfuhrer was the unit in charge of the camp.
It was called the Risleradi San Sabba concentration camp.
It was built (existing buildings re-utilized) in October 1943.
It was converted (renamed) a Polizeihaltflager (police concentration camp). And
in April 1944 a crematory was constructed.
The crematory and chimney were destroyed by the Germans just before the camp fell.
John Cheney

Answer:
Il SS campodiconcentramento era in Italia Bolzano (Bozen).
Dave Frank

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EDITORIAL

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All of the answers to the last question are correct but the most complete answer came from Dave Frank, who not only gave the name of the camp in Italian, which was what I asked for, but the whole answer is in Italian. Now if Dave speaks fluent Italian, I would be quite impressed, but something tells me he did some homework. It gave me a good laugh when I read his answer.
As for John Cheney's answer, it is correct as the camp at Risleradi San Sabba did exist and was an SS camp. The question came from a listing of questions that had been used in previous March Madness competitions and the answers used there were Bolzano (Italian) - Bozen (German) although in that part of northern Italy I am sure both German, Italian and a local dialect are spoken.
I found no issues from either camp in either in Campbell or Feller.

As for today's feature, it was nice to hear from former ANA Librarian Nancy Green and she deserves kudos thinking of the Gram while on vacation. In her feature she reports that the World War II European Theater was closed.

Now this give our readers down under a perfect opportunity to visit the museum and send us in a full report and let us know if any of the three Australian issues listed in Remembered are on display.

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Dear Warner,
You're very welcome. We missed you at the mini fest. Hope Jane is doing better.
Larry Gibbs

Dear Editor (and Warner)
While I am uncertain about converting 2010 ANA summer seminar Pence and Crowns to current MFC using Official channels (Company Clerk), I am certain that I could assist in that conversion.
David Seelye
thempcman@verizon.net

Dear Editor,
I found the check I wanted to send a scan of: Jewish Welfare Committee from 1946.
Hope this example is good enough.
Neil Kaplan

Dear Editor,
Nick Schrier says that there were 5000 Nisei serving at the start of the war and

they were immediately declared 4F or 4C. Those are draft classifications, and if

you were already serving you were not subject to the draft, so what was the point? Where they all separated?
Not to mention that the "awesome certified cherry gem original dream note" is only AU58 (in addition to being in a fantasy holder).
Joe Boling
[All that's true Joe, but what a great price!!!- Ed.]

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5c

BU through BZ, B/AC through B/AG, B/AO, B/AW, B/AY, B/AZ, B/BB through B/BD, B/BI, B/BO, B/BR, B/BU through B/BW, B/BY, B/BZ

10c

BT, BX, B/AE, B/AF, B/AG, B/AL, B/AO through B/AZ
Rupee

BH, BI, BL, BR, BT through BZ

Malaya

1c

M/BI, M/BJ, M/BS through M/CC, M/CF, M/CS, M/DM

5c

M/AD, M/AH, M/AU, M/AW, M/AY, M/BB through M/BK, M/BN through M/BZ

10c

MC, MD, M/AH through M/AJ, M/BC, M/BQ, M/BS, M/BV THROUGH M/BY, M/CG,
M/CH,
M/CJ, M/CK, M/CM, M/CQ THROUGH M/CZ

50c

MN

\$1

MP through MR

\$5

ML through MQ, MK horizontal quadrille

\$10

MB with serial number, MO, MF- SOEcft, MK- SOEcft, MN- horizontal
quadrille, MP-

horizontal quadrille

NEI

1c

SF, SH, SI, SK, SL, SN, SO, S/AV through S/BD, S/BH, S/BJ, S/BK, S/BN,
S/BO,
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Series 11, No. 1958 Tuesday, August 10th, 2010

SMSEmden,
by Jim Downey

Gram 1957 contained a reference to a commemorative piece found at the Australian

War Memorial in Canberra from the sinking of the SMSEmden during WWI. The piece is a Mexican 8 reals coin mounted on a scroll commemorating the engagement. Attached is a picture of one of these found on an Australian government website. One sold on EBay within the past year in excess of US\$1,000.00.

There are other numismatic items from the Emden including a set of tokens for use on the ship and a piece of notgeld from the City of Emden issued after the war. More on these later.

The Emden was commissioned into the German Imperial Navy on July 10, 1909 as a light cruiser. She was armed with ten 4.1 inch (105 mm) guns and was propelled by coal burning engines. On April 1, 1910, the Emden officially entered the fleet and was assigned to the East Asia Station at Kiauchou. Emden

saw action prior to WWI in suppressing rebellions in the German colonies in the Pacific. She also saw action in China alongside western and Japanese warships on the Yangtze during the 1913 rebellion. Emden was at sea when WWI began. In August 1914, Emden captured her first prize, the Russian steamer Ryazan, which was boarded by and escorted back to Tsingtao. Unable to remain in the port due to Allied pressure, Emden joined the

German Asiatic Squadron commanded by Vice Admiral Maximilian Von Spee. On August 8, 1914, Emden took its place with Spee's squadron at Pagan Island in the northern Marianas. Admiral vonSpee intended to reach Germany with the squadron intact, but was convinced to deploy a single light cruiser to raid Allied merchant shipping in the Indian Ocean and the Emden detached from the fleet on August 14, 1914. On September 10, Emden began to prey upon the unescorted Allied merchant ships.

The British Admiralty did not learn of the Emden's activities until September 14. Several warships from the British Australian and Far East squadrons, as well

as a few French, Japanese and Russian vessels were dispatched to hunt down Emden. On September 22, 1914, Emden opened fire on the oil facilities at Madras in British India. The action lasted half an hour until the shore batteries had begun to reply. Although the raid did little damage, it was a severe blow to British morale. Emden wandered through the Indian Ocean sinking sixteen more Allied ships while the Allied effort to find the Emden intensified.

On the morning of October 28, Emden entered the harbor at Penang in Malaya disguised as a British cruiser. Once inside the harbor, the German flag was raised and Emden launched a torpedo at the Russian cruiser Zhemchug and followed up with a shelling of the Russian ship. A second torpedo penetrated the

forward magazine causing an explosion that sank the ship. She also sank a French warship that set out to pursue her from Penang.

Emden then began the journey that would lead to her demise in the Cocos Islands,

the site of an important wireless station. Emden reached Direction Island on November 9, 1914. A landing party went ashore to destroy the wireless equipment. Fifty seamen with rifles and machine guns were sent ashore. Alerted

by the wireless operator that a strange warship in the area, the Australian light cruiser HMAS Sydney was dispatched to investigate arriving in about three hours. As Sydney approached, Emden weighed anchor and left the landing party on the island. Sydney was larger and faster than Emden and out-ranged her, but still the fight went on for nearly an hour and a half. Emden suffered serious damage

and was beached on North Keeling Island to avoid sinking. German losses were 131 dead and 65 wounded. Captain vonMller and the rest of his crew were made prisoners of war. The landing party fled in an old sailing vessel and eventually made their way back to Germany. Like most of the ships in the Imperial Navy, tokens were issued for use on board

the Emden. Attached is a scan showing a 10 pfennig, 50 pfennig and 200 pfennig token from the Emden. These tokens were kept as souvenirs by the Australians on

the Sydney. Most of the pieces in the numismatic market come from Australian sources. On board the Emden at the time of her capture were over 6,000 Mexican silver pesos. One thousand of them were made into the souvenirs shown above. The remainder were melted. A few kept by the German crew were also made into souvenirs. A scan of one of these is attached. The German legend reads: "On board SMSEmden, 9 November 1914, reef North Keeling". After the war, the Emden was memorialized on a piece of notgeld issued by its namesake city. An example is also attached.

[Go to the website for the images - Ed.]

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CHAMPIONSHIP QUESTION CORNER

Questions for this space from subscribers and always welcome and eagerly solicited. The only requirement is that you also provide the answer!

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How does Walter Rundell fit into our studies?

Answer next time.

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ANSWER TO PREVIOUS QUESTION

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What currency printing operation (by name) was critical to Operation Overlord?

Both George Salde and the Myers correctly answered "Tom Cat"

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EDITORIAL

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We leave early on Thursday morning for our drive to Boston and the ANA.

A

number of Festers are already there as witness by a TWIRR fro Fred (it arrived

today and will run tomorrow) and a call from David

Seelye about dinner plans for Friday - that's Italian night. Boston is a great

city and we are looking forward to the show and some sightseeing.

In addition to the bourse there are many opportunities to attend the meetings of

various organizations. All of us who collected military currency are members of

the very informal M2C2 group. We have our annual meeting in Memphis each year

but in effect every time we get together for a Minifest it is an M2C2 meeting.

As you know, I am sure, there are no dues, no officers, no rules and no frills,

just collectors meeting to talk currency. In addition to the ANA, There are

other organizations I would like to mention and give a little push for. I would

think the vast majority of Gramsters are members of the International Bank Note

Society and/or the Society of Paper Money Collectors. Belonging to one or both

of these organizations afford us the opportunity to receive their periodic

journals/magazines which cater to our paper money hobby. If you are not a

member, I would suggest you consider joining one or both. The dues are not prohibitive. Both will have meetings at the ANA and as mentioned in prior Grams

there will be a presentation on Mafeking siege notes at IBNS meeting on Saturday. I should not leave out the Society of Ration Token Collectors, an organization catering to the wartime ration issues and related items which had a direct correlation to the currency and fiscal instruments that we collect. They will also have a meeting in Boston. So I would urge you to check the schedule for the meeting times and places and drop in on a meeting or two and if you are not already a member there will be an opportunity to join.

I'll have membership applications at the IBNS meeting, and if your plans do not include a trip to Boston, and have an interest in joining the IBNS, SPMC or the SRTC, or any other numismatic organization for that matter, and we can get you started.

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Dear Editor, I
If you are flying into Logan Airport in Boston for the coin show next week, we received reliable information regarding taxi and shuttle service at the Boston airport. Cabs to the convention center and nearby hotels run around \$45-\$50. One different mode of transportation that would be a lot cheaper would be contacting www.ultimateshuttle.com or calling them at 888-437-4379 and reserving

a space on a van. A reservation is required and it is \$14 each way per person. The number and email are accurate. Hope this helps
John and Nancy Wilson

Dear Editor,

Please add the following names to the list of attendees for MPC Fest
XII: John
Cheney, Laura Guentensverger, Robert Drew, Brad Schwan, Warner and Jane
Talso,
and Mark Watson.
Kim Bartish

Dear Editor,
I don't know if this is appropriate but I wanted to know if it is proper
for me
to ask if you would post something that may be of interest to your
reader/members.
I have been collecting foreign currency and military currency since the
1950s. I decided that at this stage of life I should sell my collection,
which

is pretty large, as my children and grandchildren don't have an interest
in
currency collecting.
I have given my entire collection, as mentioned above to SpinkSmythe in
Texas. Jim Fitzgerald, their currency expert has it and told me it will
be
auctioned this September 28 & 29. I think it will be part of one of their
auctions
Jim is the former Director of Currency Auctions at Heritage Auction
Galleries.
I don't want to be commercial, but I think there might be interest in
this
for your members. I have received your MPCgram for several years. I am
not
trying to over-promote SpinkSmythe. Jim has been very helpful to me.
If you want to run this memo, that would be greatly appreciated by me. I
think
most serious collectors know of SpinkSmythe and Jim, and know how to
contact him

or their auction website if they have interest.
Cordially,
Laurence Brody, M. D.

Dear Editor,
With regard to Bozen (Balzano). There were five issues of camp money--
see page
52 of Feller and Feller for the listings and story.
[The sentence should have read: "I found no issues from either camp in
Campbell", and not how it was originally written - thanks for the
correction
Steve - Ed.]

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BH, BL, BQ, BV, BW, B/AP, B/AW, B/AZ, B/BB, B/BC, B/CF through B/BV, B/BX, B/CI, B/CJ, B/CS, B/DB, B/DC, B/DF, B/DG, B/DI, B/DM THROUGH B/DP, B/DR, B/DS, B/DU THROUGH B/EM, B/EO, B/EP, B/ER THROUGH B/EZ

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Rupee

BH, BI, BL, BR, BT through BZ

Malaya

1c

M/BI, M/BJ, M/BS through M/CC, M/CF, M/CS, M/DM

5c

M/AD, M/AH, M/AU, M/AW, M/AY, M/BB through M/BK, M/BN through M/BZ

10c

MC, MD, M/AH through M/AJ, M/BC, M/BQ, M/BS, M/BV THROUGH M/BY, M/CG,
M/CH,
M/CJ, M/CK, M/CM, M/CQ THROUGH M/CZ

50c

MN

\$1

MP through MR

\$5

ML through MQ, MK horizontal quadrille

\$10

MB with serial number, MO, MF- SOEcft, MK- SOEcft, MN- horizontal
quadrille, MP-

horizontal quadrille

NEI

1c

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ANA Boston Report and Commentary,
Installment 1,
by Fred Schwan

[Boston] Even after all these many years of attending shows and especially the annual ANA convention, I have been getting increasingly excited over the past few days. I missed last year in Los Angeles for a variety of reasons so my excitement was heightened. Joe Boling picked me up in Port Clinton on Monday morning for the twelve hour drive to Boston. I brought along a recorded book (13 CDs) for the trip. How naive. It was a long drive but, time flew. We have been doing these conventions more or less together for many, many years so there was much to talk about beyond our normal topics. It was a great trip. I cannot think of anything electrifying to report from the drive, but it was great.

We arrived at 2300 Monday. It did not take even one minute in the hotel driveway to find collectors, new and old friends. I showed some unusual restraint and did not go back to the lobby after getting to the room. You must pace yourself at ANA conventions. Restraint or not, 12 hour drive or not, we still did not go to bed for hours. Of course Joe gets up bright and early. Because of the excitement even I was able to get up early and get going. Walking to the convention center we were able to congratulate Beth Deisher who is receiving this years Zerbe award from the association. I told her how much I like reading Coin World on my ipad. She said that she uses one too and basically uses it exclusively at events like the [ANA] for reporting etc. Then she told me that CW is being optimized for ipad and that there will be many more ipad products coming from Sidney. I hope that this is a scoop. We found the exhibit area without much difficulty. I was greeted at the exhibit area by George Bilodeau whom Judy and I had met a few years ago while on the road. I took his email address and expect that this will be the first Gram that he receives. I set up our (Judy's and mine) exhibit rather quickly. Then I found this wonderful seat outside the exhibit hall where I am sitting to render this report. It is a really great spot. I have talked with lots of Festers, MPC collectors and others. Just this moment Don Kagin and his bride came by. They both failed my challenge. John and Nancy Wilson were by earlier and Nancy had both of their challenge coins (that is usually the way it is with them). Brett Irik and George Fitzgerald both came by and had their challenge coins. I was surprised that President Cliff Mishler had his challenge coin. Encouraged by that I sold him a medal that I had brought for him, then I sold him a copy of the Dunn, Freeland, Kroll Canadian bond book too. Amazing, I am net ahead for the convention, but I do not think that I should keep track of that and certainly should not report the plus/minus through this week. When I sat down at this seat, there was a copy of one of the Heritage auction catalogs. I am not sure how many different catalogs there are for this week--but

there are several and they are all massive. This particular catalog is called the platinum night catalog. This is supposed to be some of the top items for the entire week. Obviously there are some interesting (read great) coins (all US) in this catalog. To give you an idea, in this massive catalog, no more than two items are listed per page and of course some of the items receive several pages of treatment.

To my amazement page 56 was an item that should be listed in Remembered 2.

It is a 1943-S nickel struck on a steel cent planchet. Oh my. It is further described at MS66 full steps. Joe Boling passed by at about this time. We discussed it and both expressed some combination of amazement and skepticism.

The main basis of the skeptical part is doubt that coin (?) would strike up so well (MS66 full steps) on a steel cent planchet. These doubts were addressed in the description. Catalog: "The steps display remarkable detail. Slightly uncentered, with a full rim at 9 o'clock on each side while the right side legends are partly off the flan. The date exhibits metal flow toward the edge characteristic of a wrong planchet error, since the undersized flan could not completely fill the dies. ...A search of our Permanent Auction Archives indicates that the highest price ever achieved by a 1943-S nickel in a Heritage auction is \$4,800. That coin was also struck on a steel cent planchet but was graded AU55."

So, my amazement should not have been as great since Heritage sold a similar item in the past. I will be excited to examine this piece at auction viewing and of course will report. Oh, I nearly forgot, this is lot 3059, Heritage auction 1143. You can probably find the picture at the Heritage site. Danny Spungen just came by. He failed the challenge.

More later.

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EDITORIAL

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I find it a little remarkable that on a 12 hours drive, Fred cannot recall any of the conversation with Joe. They must have spoken about the next edition of Remembered and other fascinating military numismatic topics. Perhaps it was just two old friends catching up. I am excited myself about arriving tomorrow and seeing "the gang" and from what Fred reports there seems to be a number of them in attendance. Now Fred did not tell us what his exhibit was about, nor did he mention any of the others which might be of interest to us, saved the one about one of those small round metal objects called coins (yes they are currency too). Normally I would think Fred might get a little flack on that but since it is directly related to WW II, we have to give him some leeway.

The next Gram will come from the convention.

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Dear Editor,

Unfortunately, I may miss a lot of the visitors to my hometown of Boston. I will be at the show tomorrow and Thursday, but am then leaving for another adventure. We had a lovely dinner with Fred this evening, and I am looking forward to who I may see tomorrow or Thursday on the floor! And lunch...?

The Cantor (aka Michael; aka my husband!) will be with me for part of the time, so look forward to seeing him too! I wanted to follow-up from John and Nancy. For those who are traveling light and want to take the most cost-efficient route, the T (our subway system) runs directly to Hynes Convention Center. You can pick up the Blue Line from the airport (there is a quick, free shuttle that takes you from the terminal to the Airport T-Stop). Take the Blue Line inbound toward Bowdoin. Get off at Government Center and go upstairs to the Green Line. You can take the B, C, or D trains straight to the Hynes Convention Center stop or the E train to the Prudential Center stop (which is, ironically, even closer than the actual Hynes stop.) I'm happy to answer any questions people have about transportation, food, wandering around Boston, etc.... Enjoy this lovely, lovely city!
Ray Feller

Dear Editor,
I visited this museum in Canberra on a Pacific trip in the late 1960's; it was very wonderful as you have stated.
Charles Snyder

Dear Editor,
This has got to be the first medal ever about a jet plane and it is tied to WWII.
It is already sold but a Gramster would like want a future offering of it.
Coin Galleries (Stacks) Louis E. Eliasberg Jr. Mail and Internet Bid Sale, April 28, 2010
Lot 3619.
The Master Sergeant Daniel

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5c

BU through BZ, B/AC through B/AG, B/AO, B/AW, B/AY, B/AZ, B/BB through B/BD, B/BI, B/BO, B/BR, B/BU through B/BW, B/BY, B/BZ

10c

BT, BX, B/AE, B/AF, B/AG, B/AL, B/AO through B/AZ

Rupee

BH, BI, BL, BR, BT through BZ

Malaya

1c

M/BI, M/BJ, M/BS through M/CC, M/CF, M/CS, M/DM

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M/AD, M/AH, M/AU, M/AW, M/AY, M/BB through M/BK, M/BN through M/BZ

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MC, MD, M/AH through M/AJ, M/BC, M/BQ, M/BS, M/BV THROUGH M/BY, M/CG, M/CH, M/CJ, M/CK, M/CM, M/CQ THROUGH M/CZ

50c

MN

\$1

MP through MR

\$5

ML through MQ, MK horizontal quadrille

\$10

MB with serial number, MO, MF- SOEcft, MK- SOEcft, MN- horizontal quadrille, MP-

horizontal quadrille

NEI

1c

SF, SH, SI, SK, SL, SN, SO, S/AV through S/BD, S/BH, S/BJ, S/BK, S/BN, S/BO, S/BR, S/BS, S/CF, S/CH, S/CL, S/CN, S/CQ, S/CU, S/EB, S/EC, S/EW, S/FF, S/FH, S/FJ, S/FO through S/FR, S/FU, S/FV, S/FW, S/FY, S/FZ, S/GA, S/GC, S/CD, S/CE, S/GS/GI, S/GK, S/GM THROUGH S/GZ

5c

S2 through S12, SD, SJ, SN, SP, SQ, S/AK, S/AU, S/BB through S/BD, S/CB through S/CF, S/CI through S/CK, S/CM THROUGH S/DZ

10c

S16 through S18, SA, SG, SI, SN, SS, SU through SX, S/AA, S/AC, S/CG
through
S/CI, S/CN, S/CV, S/CZ through S/DD, S/DG, S/DI, S/DJ, S/DQ, S/DS through
S/DZ,
S/EB through S/EO, S/ER through S/EZ

1/2G

SB no watermark, SI, SM

1G

SJ through SM

10G>SJ, SK, SI woven quadrille paper, SI horizontal quadrille paper

Andrew Keene

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September 8-10, 2010, Admission charge.
Discount coupon available at site:
<http://longbeachexpo.com/>
HA Auction & probably CAA sale,
www.HA.com

Whitman Philadelphia Expo
Pennsylvania Convention Center
Sept. 30 - Oct. 2, 2010, Free admission.
Exhibits,
Info at: www.whitmanexpo.com
Auction's by Bowers and Merena,
<http://www.bowersandmerena.com/>
& Stack's, <http://stacks.com/>

25th Annual National & World Paper Money Convention
Info at: <http://www.pcdaonline.com/>

St. Charles Convention Center
Show information: Kevin Foley, kfoley2@wi.rr.com
October 13 - 16, 2010, Free admission
Probably a MiniFest, club meetings
Auction: Lyn Knight,
www.lynnknight.com

The Silver Dollar & Rare Coin Expo
St Charles Convention Center
Oct 14 - 16, 2010
Scotsman auction, Free Admission
Same location as the PCDA show but
in a different hall.

Whitman Coin and Collectibles Baltimore Expo
Baltimore Convention Center
Nov. 4 - 7, 2010, Free admission
Auction by Bowers and Merena
<http://www.bowersandmerena.com/>

Santa Clara Coin, Stamp & Collectibles Expo
Santa Clara Convention Center Nov 19 - 21, 2010

Michigan State Numismatic Society
Hyatt Regency Dearborn
Nov. 26 - 28, 2010, Free admission
Show info: <http://www.michigancoinclub.org/>
Exhibits, meetings, possible MiniFest

Houston's 54th Money Show of the Southwest
George R. Brown Convention Center, Free admission.
December 2 - 4, 2010
Show info: www.houstoncoinshow.org

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Florida United Numismatists
Tampa Convention Center
January 6 - 9, 2011, Free admission.
Exhibits, programs, probable MiniFest
Show info: www.funtopics.com
Exhibit Info: FranLockwood@aol.com
Auction which includes a large paper money sale
Heritage Auctions, www.HA.com

39th New York International (NYInc)
Waldorf Astoria, Admission charge
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ANA Boston Report and Commentary,
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[Boston] I spent the rest of the day on the bourse on Tuesday after submitting my report. Roger cut right to the point with his criticism that I had not told what we (The Boss and I) are exhibiting. There is not a lot of military numismatic material among the exhibits. Specifically, no MPC is in the

competition, but there is a great short snorter exhibit. I will try to take some notes on it to give a full report on it. I spent all afternoon on the bourse floor and had a great time. I did not even spend a lot of money--although I fear that that might change. You might not even believe me, but I did not buy a single note. I did buy some interesting coin trench art for me and a few love tokens for Judy. As usual, most of the trench art was made from the WWII US-minted Australian coins. The best one though was a nice 1940 Iceland 10c with a very nice engraving Iceland 1942 on the obverse. I ran into Kathy Freeland at the table of Paul Cunningham. We talked a little about the American Red Cross in World War II. She is going to one of the major libraries (sorry, I do not remember which) to study some document groups from WWII dough-nut dollies. Husband Dan arrived and we chatted a little about Canadian war savings. Challenge coin challenges were made all around. David Frank arrived, met the challenge then showed me two interesting trench art items

that he had picked up for me at a local show. I liked them, praised him and moved on in the conversation. I was pleased that I had made a new collector of trench art. I know that this sounds crazy like I am trying to convert someone from paper to coins. No. Just to include coin trench art in WWII collections. Later at David Seelye's table David (Frank) told me that no, he had not been converted, but had purchased the items for me. I was delighted that I would be able to get the items, but disappointed that David is not (yet) a coin trench art collector. Back to Paul Cunningham's table. I was only able to spend \$10 there. He had an interesting group of four of the US-Australian coins that had been prepared for trench art engraving by plaining (or other means) one side. Apparently the make had gone out of the business before he could use these pieces. Hopefully it was because of the end of the war rather than more dire reasons. Paul had another interesting item that I did not purchase because I have one.

However, I can go back to get it if anyone wants it and gets back to me in a hurry. It is the personal challenge coin of Fester/Seminarian/Gramster David Klinger. I know that David has not been especially liberal in distributing his coins (just as he should not be) and neither has he been distributing them so long that I would expect to find them in a dealer stock. I think Paul wanted \$10.

Danny Spungen called from a somewhere out on the street to report that he had found his challenge coin in his wallet. As I reported yesterday, he had failed the challenge that morning. I told him that if he would bring me a diet soda from the restaurant, his debt would be forgiven (heck the debt was a beverage). Several hours later I found Danny--instead of him finding me--at a bourse table.

He showed me his challenge coin and said that someone else drank my beverage, but he offered me a dinner roll wrapped in a paper napkin. What did I do? I ate the roll, but he still owes me a drink!

I finished the afternoon at David Seeley's table where he tantalized me with some things. He took the items (mostly notes) back and did not give me a price with a comment like we can talk later. It sounded like me trying to sell something. Exactly 24 hours later he continued exactly the same strategy but adding to the pile and waving the items in from of Neil (and Joel) Shafer, Joe Boling, and David Frank. I was supposed to have dinner with the extended Feller family, but my phone battery was failing as they were converging on the convention center and the bourse hours were ending. I told Steve to find me at auction lot viewing where I wanted to follow up on the 1943 S nickel struck on the 1943 steel cent planchet as I promised I would. I am in over my head here. The coin is interesting as we certainly should have expected. It is very well struck up as described but not to full five cent diameter. It is very thin, but this is where I am in over my head. I decided that I would have to find a consultant on Wednesday.

Just in the nick of time as auction lot viewing was closing (I had thought that they were open till midnight), Steve arrived. After a few miss fires in coordination and the inevitable group indecision about where to eat, we found a nice little Italian place. Thanks for dinner, Steve.

Back in the room I bought my first note of the day. Joe and I had a show n tell session. I have told you the highlights of my shopping. Joe had a nice multi note short snorter with Hawaii note and a note from Western Samoa. He had a 2/- Australian Defense Canteens Service Canteen Order. This value had not been listed in Remembered (1995), but was a discovery that is in the 2004 draft (the draft was distributed (sold) at the 2004 Fest). Joe was visibly disappointed when I told him that most or all of the newly discovered notes were

unc or nearly so. He brightened up when I then said that they were also unissued

and this one is not only issued, but also to an interesting fellow--Sgt Pilot Wright. Interesting enough then he said and look where it was issued. I about jumped out of my shoes, but tried to restrain myself when I looked at it and saw

that on November 1, 1941 this canteen order was issued (by hand stamp) in Samarai, Papua. What did I say, and what should you say in a situation like this? Cool? Congratulations? No, I said, whaddawantferit? He made a mistake and said, well, I paid, X. I said, will you take 1.3X? He said OK. I took the note and moved to the far side of the room and studied my new friend some more. The serial number prefix is Q which, according to new information in the draft, is assumed to be for Queensland. While a bit disappointing, this seems to at least answer the implied question about whether or not a special prefix was used

for at least this territory. Wednesday morning was filled with exhibit meetings and nothing to report. I tried to make it to the bourse and exhibit areas, but did not do too well. Carlson Chambliss failed to meet a challenge (as usual), Rod Gills failed a

challenge yesterday, but proudly challenged me today on the bourse floor.
Robert

Drew also met the challenge. I do not know what happened to the Fellers today.

I checked a few books on the wrong planchet error, but found nothing. I consulted with David Lang on the subject. He referred me to an expert, but I was

not able to get with him although I tried off and on throughout the day.

I found--and purchased-- a few more trench art pieces and found a really nice

group of notes, but am going to have to work on them. Then at the end of the

day, David Seelye played me again like a trout.

Joe and I had dinner at a reception in honor of an exhibitor who died in the

last year. I did not know Steve Middleton well, but Joe did. It was a nice

affair and close to our room so we got back to work relatively early (Joe complained about it being too late). We did not have a full show n tell tonight

and no deals were done.

The schedule Thursday does not have anything of great relevance but I have a few

meetings and Joe several. Roger arrives I think so there should be some more

good fellowship. I wish that you were here.

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suffered stroke and was not at the show. I also learned that he is recovering and will be in rehab shortly. Like many of you I have known Tom for a number of

years and I know that we all wish him a speedy recovery.

The bourse is spread over two rooms but they are adjacent to each other so getting around was not difficult. The club tables are outside the bourse area as there was limited space inside the bourse proper. Despite their location quite a number of them were occupied. I didn't go through the exhibit area but will do so on Friday. I met Neil Shafer on the floor and, as always, he had some notes for me to peruse. I found one from Italy, that appeared to be a local issue, but with a little investigation it turned out to be something else (but that will be a story for another issue). I also met with Wendell Wolka, the Wilsons, the Freelandts, Bret Irick, Robert Drew and Andrew Keene, however I did not see Joe or Fred, although Fred and I spoke briefly on the phone and planned to meet tomorrow. I hope to meet Joe early on Friday as I have some items to show him which may or may not be counterfeit.

I did find some notes and, again, that is the subject for another Gram.

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Andrew Keene
[Verbally from Andrew on the bourse floor - Ed.]

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TWIRR # 56

ANA Boston Report and Commentary,
Installment 3,
by Fred Schwan

[Boston] It was a very busy day. It started out with the Krause Publications Numismatic Ambassador breakfast. There is not a lot to report from the official program. However, I was sitting next to US coin super expert Bob Julian. Next to

him was general coin expert Bob Leonard. I proposed to them the problem of the 1943-S nickel struck on the 1943 cent planchet. After some discussion, they more

or less said that the coin is plausible. I think that it is time for me to be done with this subject--unless of course some more info comes to light. I cannot remember much of the day, but it seemed like I was busy every second. I

bought a little more numismatic trench art, but nothing extreme. Oh yes, I found

several people who seemed interested enough in this subject to hear a lecture from me on the subject. The highlight of the afternoon was a break to have a beverage sitting in a sidewalk cafe with Danny Spungen who was finally paying his beverage debt from yesterday. I got a much-desired nap between the end of the bourse and the start of the NLG bash. Humor is supposed to be a big part of the bash and since Fester Wolka is the MC,

it is often a hoot, but of course humor is very subjective. The bash started out

with a funny incident. The hotel had indeed set up food for ca 200 guests in a room suitable for 20. Scott Travers jumped in and saved the day. Fortunately, the room for 20 was just one section of a much larger ball room with removable walls. Said walls were removed and the frivolity began if a bit delayed.

I had invited Fester Frank and Danny to join us at the Fest. In a separate invitation, I had asked Fester Usibelli to join us. Danny rushed in to let us know that he could not attend because a problem had come up. He also had a message from Dave Frank that he and his wife could not attend. (Actually, that was not too bad since the seating had gotten limited.) Danny however delivered to me the two trench art pieces that Dave Frank had for me and which I told you about yesterday. Cool. The table was interested in seeing them. Danny was telling Joe (Boling) about the pleasant afternoon we had when he paid off his challenge coin debt from the day before. Joe then said, well, speaking of challenge coin...and pulled his out to challenge Danny and the assembled Festers (Keene, Usibelli, Daniels, Schwan). The look of horror on Danny's face was priceless. He stammered, sputtered and otherwise disgraced himself by not having his coin. He sprinted away on the pretext of getting his brief case at the entrance to the hall. We did not see

him again. I look forward to another beverage. Wish I could figure out a way to get the whole group together. Joe Usibelli had two wonderful items for me--membership cards for the Way Below Zero Club. These are mock membership cards given to military personnel (others?)

who have worked out in the frigid Alaskan cold. The one that immediately caught my eye had been issued for exercise Polar Siege. The other had been for exercise

Timber Line. Why should Polar Siege stand out? It has been mentioned in the Gram a few times.

Notes were issued for the exercise. Furthermore, they come in red and green. Probably that means that there was a conversion. Perhaps we worked that all out when it was discussed in the Gram, I do not recall that aspect. On to the Bash awards. Gramster Kerry Rogers won an award for an article in an Australian magazine. Howard Daniels latest Vietnam book won an award of extraordinary merit.

Seminarian Max Spiegel won an award for some coin article unworthy of his talents (non military), but it got worse. As he was returning to his seat from the stage where he had accepted the award, he had to pass the rowdy group of Festers. We were prepared. We were all holding

our challenge coins out to him. He disgraced himself by failing the challenge. At the end of the evening he was full of the normal blah, blah excuses. We know that Max can do better. At the end of the evening we had a picture taken on my cell phone of the assembled Festers. I immediately sent it to Judy's phone. By the time that we were back to the room, Judy had acknowledged the photo and wished everyone a good time. I told Joe the message. He was decidedly surprised that the entire thing had taken five minutes. I more or less said welcome to the 21st century, Joe.

As I write this, he is sitting at the computer working and falling asleep.
Friday will be another busy day. I hope that Seelye and I can conclude the dance

and I can get some of the notes from him, but it might take till Saturday.

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Walter Rundell was a historian and author who also served in the US Army. After WWII he investigated the history of the military's overseas fiscal activities during WWII and wrote several books on the subject. The Myers

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EDITORIAL

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Do you suffer from trixadecaphobia? Well if you do today is a bad day as it is Friday the 13th. So I trust you stayed inside and didn't walk under any ladders, break any mirrors or have an incident with a black cat. In some cultures odd numbers are lucky, especially number 13.

I met Fred this morning outside the bourse and asked him if he would divulge what his exhibit was. He would not specifically say, and was not of a mind to give me any hints. Now there was much speculation as to what Fred had put on exhibit and no one I spoke to knew the answer. This called for some investigation on my part and a little while later I received a phone call from Fred offering a hint. At that point I told him I did not need the hint as I had

found out what he had put on display. I could tell you now, but for those of you of a mind to do so, I let you guess

and not reveal the answer until next issue.

The Philippine Collectors Forum was today, but due to a scheduling conflict I was not able to attend. I was, however, able to see one of the presentations and that was series of checks with images of General Lawton and Secretary Stanton. Neil

Shafer had these and two short snorters which he spoke about. He said he was going to leave them with Ray Czahor and I would ask Ray to send in some scans so

we can put them on the website.

I am enjoying Fred with his columnist's hat on and I'll send this Gram out in a somewhat abbreviated format (no Mail Call) so as to keep everyone current on ANA happenings. There will be another TWIRR for tomorrow.

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Series 11, No. 1962 Saturday, August 14th, 2010

VJ Day

Victory over Japan (VJ-) Day and Victory Day
By Howard A. Daniel III

I arrived at the home of Tom Finn in Newport, RI on August 8. We both served in the Vietnam War and many years later, he got me involved with the 519th Military

Intelligence Battalion Association. While we were catching up on the years since

we last talked, he mentioned that the next day he had to be at a VJ Day Ceremony.

A what ceremony? He told me that Rhode Island was the last state in the USA that

still had an official holiday for VJ-Day, which was also called Victory Day and was a holiday declared by President Truman for August 14, which was the 15th in Japan. The holiday is celebrated on the second Tuesday of August in Rhode Island.

Tom told me that the ceremony would be conducted in downtown Newport in front of

the City Hall. and the banks and some other places would be closed. And there would be other ceremonies in other cities in the state. Wow again! I had no idea

that anyone in the USA still recognized the sacrifices of the men and women in WWII's Pacific Theater!

The next day we started off by going to a bookstore I saw during the previous days driving tour of the area. It is Dennis Kelly's Fine Used Books at 330 Broadway, Newport, RI 02840 and the owner's telephone is 401-846-4140. He has a good-sized military section and it included one book about the Vietnam War which

has my name in it.

I found the sixth edition of The Stamp Collectors Encyclopedia by R.J. Sutton.

The first page has an illustration of the four printing methods of stamps, which

also works for paper money. It is the clearest explanation I have ever seen. The

four are Line Engraving, Lithography, Letterpress and Photogravure. I believe it

should be shown in the SPMCs Paper Money and the IBNS Journal!!

Then I found a large coffee table sized book; Travels in the Orient, In Marco

Polos Footsteps by Alain Cheneviere. I know a collector who collects the coins of the places where Marco Polo visited and might have spent. Hopefully, it is not

in his library and will be a great addition to it. I can likely give it to him

at the American Numismatic Association convention in Boston, two days later.

We drove to the old historic downtown of Newport to visit a coin store I found in the Yellow Pages. The store had gone out of business! Too bad. We walked past

City Hall and saw people setting up the ceremony in front of the WWII, Korean and Vietnam War memorials. Then to a pizza place where we drank lemonade in the shade while waiting for the ceremony to start at noon.

We walked over to City Hall and about 75 people were there. I spoke to a lady whose husband was in one of the chairs for WWII veterans. Then I saw an old man come to stand near me wearing a CBI (China-Burma-India) patch! I jumped on him and found he had served in Kunming, China. We talked a little about his service but he was reluctant to go into details. Maybe OSS?

I engaged other veterans in conversation about their service and the holiday, and one of them told me he has been coming to this ceremony for over 20 years. Others had also been attending it for two decades or even more. I learned again from one man that it was also named Victory Day by President Truman for the complete end of WWII, so it is a double holiday.

One of the honor guard in an old Navy uniform was carrying an old WWI/early WWII Springfield rifle and he opened the ceremony by shooting a blank. It was loud! I was told they used to have an old cannon shoot a round but it was even louder so it is no longer used. The ceremony started with the head of the American Legion in Newport giving a short talk.

Then he named the heads of other legion chapters and many other service organizations present. There was even a lady from the organization for former WAVES! A chaplain said a prayer, and an old Army buck Sergeant of WWII who served in an anti-aircraft unit gave a short talk. It was quite amusing because his unit was issued winter clothing and they went to the South Pacific!

Then a full-bird Marine Corps Colonel gave a talk. He came from a military

family that has served in every service and in all of Americas wars. He is attending classes at the Naval War College and has had many, many combat assignments. I shook his hand after the ceremony and thanked him for his service. He thanked me back for mine.

The lady mayor gave an excellent talk about her father and grandfathers serving during past wars and she did not make a long talk. Thank you! There were also several reporters there and photographers, and political officials from the city, county, state and one candidate for the U.S. Congress. The current U.S. Representative did not show up.

The Springfield rifle was used once more to close the ceremony. There were many full-time and some reserve cops around and they had blocked the streets leading to City Hall. I saw one direct a young well-dressed lady talking loudly on her telephone to walk elsewhere. She said she did not give a damn about the ceremony

and her call was more important. Really! I love that cop!

Later that day I read the Providence Journal at Toms house and discovered Moosup, CT also celebrated VJ-Day with a parade but no official holiday. I have scanned the article in this newspaper and a column written about it. If anyone wants to read them, please contact me at [HYPERLINK "mailto:HADaniel3@msn.com"](mailto:HADaniel3@msn.com) HADaniel3@msn.com and I will email them to you.

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TWIRR #57

ANA Convention Report and Commentary,
Installment 4

by Fred Schwan

[Boston] I slept in a little on Friday. My first important event was a numismatic theater presentation by David Alexander. The subject was Philippine Wartime Medals of Jose Laurel. It was really great. I learned a great deal. He

gave me some ideas for additional research as well. I sure would love to get David to write it up for the Gram.

The next actual thing on the schedule was to attend the Philippine Collectors Forum. This is a great program created by Ray Czahor. I think that this was the eighth year. It is a great idea. It is sort of the Fest for collectors of Philippine numismatics. I have wanted to go every year, but just have not made it, so I was determined to make it--at least for a little while. I liked it the moment that I walked in the door. Of course I could have used a WWII Philippine scout to find the room. It was hidden in a jungle of tangled and

bewilderingly named rooms. Nonetheless, upon entry there was plenty to immediately capture attention. One table was covered with stuff. You know what I mean when I say stuff. I guess

the better word is actually treasure. Philippine notes, coins, medals and stuff.

Ray was working on arrangements still, I was greeted by John Riley. John is a new friend, Gramster, and future Fester. He will love the Fest and not miss any more after he comes to the first one. I am not sure when we met. When we talked in Chicago at CPMX last year he told me that we had met before. Regrettably, I did (do) not remember the earlier time, but I remember that time and will not forget him in the future. He is a great collector. In Chicago I was able to buy a really nice trench art coin from

him. He had not wanted to sell it, but I was able to persuade him. When Roger saw it in my purchases only ten minutes after I purchased it, he tried to buy it

from me. To make matters worse for Roger when I refused to sell it to him was the fact that he had seen the piece in John's collection before I had, but he had failed to press John the way that he then pressed me. I might have reported this transaction at the time.

[Actually Fred, you did and I am still recovering!!!! - Ed.]

Anyway, he greeted me and we chatted. He pointed out some items of special

interest--and there were several really interesting items.

He told me that he is helping Ray with the forum next year because the convention is in Chicago and he is from Chicago. From the few things that he told me, it sounds like it will be a great event. I hope that John will use the Gram to help promote the event. I certainly hope to participate to a much greater extent next year. The first program on the agenda was David Alexander on Philippine Wartime Medals

of Jose Laurel. He changed it only slightly from what I had seen two hours earlier. As bad as that sounds, the program was so darn good, that I not only sat through it, but enjoyed it to boot. When I reported on it the first time above, I opined that I would like to see David write it up for the Gram. While that is true, I would be equally happy to have him come to the Fest and present it.

Over the next few hours I missed a few things that I had marked in my program and had to attend to some judging matters. Robert Drew wanted to consult about the possible purchase of an interesting item. I was not much help from memory so we decided that I should go by the table of George LaBarre to have a look. I had done a little business with George

earlier, but certainly did not mind going back. The first time I had not had time to go through any of George's stuff so this time had the prospect of being more interesting.

When I got there Joe Usibelli was pawing through stock certificates looking for Alaskan material--imagine that. Joe showed me a gold medal (for lack of better term) that he had obtained. It was from an Alaskan gold mine. Very nice. I could not find the material that I needed to see for Robert, but I found a few

small things to buy and one very interesting research item that perhaps should have bought.

I am sure that you all know the Disney certificates that were created as premiums for buying war bonds. They are common and relatively expensive for being as common as they are. There are a few varieties. Some are listed in the

current Remembered. There will be more in the Remembered 2. At least some of the

state committees had black and white reprints of the Disney certificate made.

The ones that I have seen have the printed signatures of the state chairman.

Potentially there are 52 (or more) state/territory certificates. I doubt if they

all made them. Anyway, George had one of these for Massachusetts. I am still

thinking about buying it.

Kathy Freehand stopped to chat and reported that she had had a really great time

on her library mission. I look forward to a detailed report in the Gram. Actually, I hope that we get a preliminary report followed by a detailed report

rather than having to wait for the big one. Dan was trailing behind. He was

pleased about some national bank notes that he had purchased. He also complained

that he had read about the Schwan exhibit twice and still did not know the

subject of the exhibit.

The big news of the day was an unexpected auction of an important collection of

world paper money. The collection was being sold in an FDIC auction because of

the failure of a bank in Albuquerque. It included some really important items

for our research.

It is an interesting story in many ways. Here is the link so you can preview it.

I hope to write a longer story about the whole thing later, but will be very

happy if someone else beats me to it.

Joe is nodding to sleep over his keyboard as he has done every evening. I wake

him up and he insists on going back to work instead of going to bed.

I did not have many challenge coin adventures today.

After the above auction finished I went for a little walk outside. It was a

really beautiful evening and this is a great venue with sidewalk cafes and lots

to do out on the street. Best of all, there is a huge Apple store just about

across the street from the hotel. I spent some time there and had a great time.

Can you imagine what would happen to a Microsoft store?

I had gone to bed and sent this TWIRR to Roger when Joe called me over to see the mail that he had received from collector extraordinaire Neil Kaplan. In response to the TWIRR about the Australian Canteen Vouchers he sent Joe a report

of what he has in his collection. Oh my. In the three pieces that he sent there were two new varieties. He has a different back than I have seen and had a serial number block for Victoria that I had not seen.

On the Victoria block, I knew of the block V/1 (V over 1 without the slash). That was the only block I had seen in this format and knew it to be strange. I could not explain it. Neil has the answer. The V/1 is the second block having advanced from V. I do not know why I did not think of it. Great stuff.

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We have two features today because I wanted to run Howard's great article on VJ Day on VJ Day and I also wanted to keep our readers aware of the goings on here in Boston. We have not received any guesses on what Fred's

exhibit is and perhaps it's about time I gave the answer, but I'll wait one more

Gram. I will say that is was in one case and it won a third place award, and knowing Fred and what he has been talking about recently you should be able to at least figure out what type of numismatic item it is. Unless you were at the show, I really can't expect anyone to exactly what it is.

The IBNS meeting and minifest took place on schedule but not without some confusion. The ANA, for some unknown reason, switched meeting rooms from the adjacent Sheraton Hotel to a room in the convention center itself. All of that would have been fine had they let us know about it in advance. Howard Daniel found out about thirty minutes prior to meeting time and there was a bit of a scramble getting things organized, but it all got done and we had both meetings with a number of participants in attendance. Fred will no doubt have comments in his next TWIRR. All I will add for now is that there was a souvenir card presented to all who attended the IBNS meeting and pay, in the form of a five dollar MFC issue commemorating the sixty-fifth anniversary of the end of WW II. Examples of both issues will be put on the website and copies will be available to all interested for a donation to the scholarship fund.

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funny!!!
Danny Spungen

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Exhibits,

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Auction's by Bowers and Merena,

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October 13 - 16, 2010, Free admission

Probably a MiniFest, club meetings

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www.lynnknight.com

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Show info: <http://www.michigancoinclub.org/>

Exhibits, meetings, possible MiniFest

Houston's 54th Money Show of the Southwest

George R. Brown Convention Center, Free admission.

December 2 - 4, 2010

Show info: www.houstoncoinshow.org

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Florida United Numismatists

Tampa Convention Center

January 6 - 9, 2011, Free admission.

Exhibits, programs, probable MiniFest

Show info: www.funtopics.com

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Auction which includes a large paper money sale

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FESTER NATIONAL CHAMPION!

Brett Irick won the Howland Wood Memorial Award for best of show exhibit in the competition held throughout the convention. With that award goes the title of

National Champion Numismatist. The champ received the medal from President Mishler and Chief Judge Sam Deep then he had to stop while returning to his seat to answer a Fest challenge from the crowd. The exhibit, Canadian Coinage of 1947 and 1948 had also won best of show at the Central States Numismatic Society Convention earlier in the year.

TWIRR #57

ANA Convention report and commentary installment 5
by Fred Schwan

[Boston] Saturday was another great day. Although I am tired, I am sad to see the convention end. One little tidbit that I forgot yesterday. Allen Berk and his son George failed a challenge on the bourse midway. Shame. Today started with the IBNS meeting. Howard Daniel presided and Roger have a great program on Mafeking Siege notes. Those were followed by a quite wonderful

show n tell.
Pay was a nice VJ Day note. Roger reported that the notes had been intended for Memphis and he has reserved one for each person who attended the Memphis mini Fest and will still have a few left over for Dan and Kathy to sell for the scholarship fund. Roger also issued a souvenir card as he said for anyone who was interested. None were turned down of course. After the meeting I had to engage in some commerce at David Seelye's table and some others. I had been trying to do the business with David for several days. Actually, it had been quite a bit longer than that. David had warned me that I needed to have a scanner at the show for some great items that he had. I had been convinced by Andrew Keene and Neil Shafer that I should get a certain brand of wand scanner. I saw them using it at the summer seminar and was convinced. With adequate time in the days of overnight shipping, I set out to buy one of these. Oh what an adventure. First, I learn from Neil that you buy these things at Bed, Bath, Beauty, and Beyond or some such place. I found that there actually is such

a place. I called the two of these in Toledo. Oh yes, they carried this item, but they did not have them on hand. Yes, they were in the warehouse so it would only take five days to get it to the store. I could order it on line and pay \$40 for overnight shipping (on a \$100 item) and I could get it in three days or so (overnight?). I looked into some other stores in the three state area, but gave up on that. I decide on another approach. I had been thinking about buying a new digital camera and I had a \$40 coupon good for anything at Staples . Off to Staples I went. I will spare you the details, but I selected a camera. I did not take it out of the box till this morning. Short story, it came without a memory card so it was impossible to keep even one photograph. If I had tried it on the eleven hour drive over here I could have bought the darn card at one of the 400 Walmarts that we passed even if Staples had not wanted to sell me one. I had to go to plan three. I would just buy all of the items from David. I did, even though that means that he will be a dependent for 2010. Possibly he can then be on my insurance starting in 2012. Nice stuff though. Roger was at David's table when I got there. His wife Wendy was with him. I thought that it was his daughter and embarrassed myself over the confusion. After we got that straight, she told me a little bit of the story about when Roger was the bag man to pick up the now-legendary MPC Series 681 specimen, progressive, and composite book of four.

Joe Usibelli called me on my cell phone as I was leaving David's table. He and I then sat at an abandoned table (there were many with a few hours to go) and had a private show n tell of things obtained at the show. We had a great time. Robert Drew popped in and out of the event. To my embarrassment, Robert made a discovery among my duplicates for sale (this is even as I told (and showed) them how I had done the same thing out of Andrew Keene's for-sale items at the summer seminar).

In this case it related to DFK (Dunn, Freeland, Kroll) (also S/B) 4406 redemption receipts for Newfoundland War Savings Certificates. The interesting variety is that the receipts come with the numerals 194 and 195 printed for easy entry of the year when redeeming the certificates. Basically, this is two different printings for these receipts. Cool. They are in a category that we seldom mention--throw aways. These are items that when used in the normal course of use of the larger items lose their value and are not normally kept. So, are these 4406 a and b or 4406/1 and 4406/2? I had one more little adventure in the bourse/exhibits area. In taking down our exhibit, I had the chance to meet the fellow next to us. I told him how wonderful the exhibit was etc. Then in the finest tradition, I asked him if he had any duplicates for sale. He did and I am calling him next week. Way cool.

I had hoped to get a little nap before the banquet, but it did not happen. At the reception before the banquet, I got lucky. I challenged Mike Ellis who has a challenge coin from the Summer Seminar. He failed. It was the very best. this was a case of a failed challenge at a high cost cash bar! I enjoyed my wine (medicinal wine, really). There is not much to report from the banquet itself except that a set of notes was again issued in honor of the Zerbe recipient--Beth Deisher. The notes are similar to previous years. Although they are not Fest notes as such, they are often collected as part of a Fest note collection because the same manufacturer is used and the similarity in appearance. Few if any strays were seen abandoned on tables. The full set of Zerbe types now consists of twenty four notes. I doubt if anyone has all of them. It is a very difficult even after only six years.. As reported in the headline story Brett Irick is the national champion collector. I would like to see him really study and win our version of that title at Fest XII.

This completes (I think) my actual show reports. I should render some reports about some of my treasures in the coming weeks.

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Congratulations to Brett Irick on being named National Champion. It is an honor well deserved. I have seen his exhibits at various shows over the past few years and have always been impressed not only with the subject matter, which is varied, but by the research and completeness they display. Well done!

I have very much enjoyed Fred's reports from Boston and will look forward to learning what treasures he went home with. Fred's exhibit was entitled: "What happened on Dec. 31st, 1877" and related the story of a love token, fashioned from a US silver dollar, bearing that date and how he discovered the token in a coin shop and presented it to Judy as an anniversary gift. As mentioned prior it did win a third place ribbon.

My own experience in Boston was very positive. As always it was good to meet fellow Festers and Gramsters and enjoy the fellowship I also fhad the opportunity to give a presentation at the IBNS meeting on the Mafeking Siege notes. There were about thirty in attendance and with some great input from Joe Boling and a little help from Howard Daniel it all went fairly well. The

souvenir card presented depicted a 2 Shilling Mafeking siege note (PS 652). The
manifest followed immediately thereafter and a note commemorating the
65th
anniversary of the end of World War II was available to all. Both of
these will
be scanned and pictures will be on the website in a day or two. We will
also
provide information on obtaining copies.

Boston is a great city and I have enjoyed being there since my Navy days
at the
Boston Navy Yard. My wife, Wendy was with me on this trip and we had the
opportunity to have a great show but to see a little bit of the city and
to
visit the famous North End with its fine dining and local culture.
Currency and
Canolis was how she described the trip. We made a stop en-route home in
the town
of Putnam, Connecticut which has a antique mart. It could also double as
a coin
shop as there are many cases with numismatic and military items. There
were
some finds there which I'll tell you about next time.

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Dear Editor,
I would guess Fred's exhibit was the seated liberty dollar love token. He
had it
at the Colorado Springs Coin Show.
Bill Myers

Dear Editor,
I enjoyed Howard's description of the honor guard in Rhode island. My
American
Legion post has an honor guard and we have a number of old Springfield
rifles on
loan from the US government. A few years ago I tried to get some
additional
rifles and some more blank ammo and found that things were a lot more
difficult.
I was sent a big pack of documents to fill out, have notarized and
signed. The
police had to inspect our building and make sure there was a proper safe
that
was connected to a building beam and could not be moved. Worse, because
they
wanted to protect women, any member who might fire the rifle at a
ceremony had

to be investigated and the police had to clear him and basically say he never battered his wife (the Schumer law). How do you ask some 80-year-old WWII vet if he ever punched his wife? So, I tossed all the papers in the basket and when the government called to ask about them I said I had changed my mind. In the old days you said you needed some rifles to use at funerals and ceremonies and they said "fine." Now you spend a week filling out papers and having people investigated. It is a different world.
Herb Friedman
[Herb, perhaps you should go out and get a number of those toy pistols that shoot out a flag that says "BANG" when fired - Ed.]

Dear Editor,
Per the Long Beach Expo web site the show is Sept 23-25 not 8-10 as you list in Show calendar !!!!!!!
Jim Noll
[Thanks, Jim, thecalendar has been corrected - Ed.]

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Downey The articles were originally posted on an internet discussion
board and
are taken verbatim and are published here with permission. Here is the
first
one.

C Day, Mekong Delta 1969
by Richard Roller

It makes me cry when I recall all of those beauties that slipped through
my
fingers and I didn't save enough to make a complete set. We cursed what
everyone

called get-out-of-jail money or funny money. It never seemed "real"
enough to us

to have serious value and no one considered that it would have value in
the
future. To us, the future was to survive Nam and returning home to the
"real"
world where we could earn and spend "real" money.

As fate would have it, I was in the Mekong Delta when Series 681 was
issued -
11AUG69. The unannounced change from Series 661 to 681 caught all by
surprise
and panic ensued. You had 24-hours to change your MPCs and were limited
to
\$1,000.00. per person. There were many poker players who held sizable
winnings

and they lost their fortunes overnight. Some took to heavy drinking to drown their sorrows and became so unreliable that they placed others in danger as well

as themselves. Since we slept with our weapons and kept a round chambered, no one trusted a drunk --- alcohol and gunpowder don't mix.

Uncontrollable panic took place among the local nationals. Many had accepted and

hoarded MPC as it didn't devalue as rapidly as the Vietnamese money did in an inflationary prone, wartime economy. As a result, those who could no longer meet

their obligations started showing-up in the streets at room temperature. To prevent our GIs from being torn apart by angry crowds, they were restricted to their fortified US bases. Once things returned to what seemed like normal, the GIs were turned loose and their free-spending ways fueled the start of another inflationary cycle.

If memory serves correctly, PX prices were:
\$2.00 for a carton of smokes.
\$2.00 for a quart of the "hard stuff".
75-cents for a haircut.
At a club - 25-cents for a can of beer
35-cents for a mixed drink

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The Free French local issue for New Caledonia has what vignette on the face?

Answer next time.

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ANSWER TO PREVIOUS QUESTION

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What was the purpose of supplemental currencies? Give two examples.

Answer:

My take on supplemental currency is U.S. AMC notes issued during WW II, Japanese Occupation currency and the German issues for countries in Europe, again WW

II. With AMC I would nominate France and with the German Occupation notes I would nominate Poland.
Regards
Brent Arthurson

Answer:

It was to add to the currency at the time, not replace. Allied military francs (flag back) from Operation Tom Cat is one example. Allied military yen (B yen, A yen qualified when used in Korea, not when used as MPC) from Operation Toy Horse is another example.
The Myers

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EDITORIAL

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Thanks to Jim Downey and Dick Roller for the feature article. Dick is a new Gramster and I hope he has more features for us. I had left the Mekong Delta in May of 68, prior to any C day, and did not experience any of what Dick reported. I do remember that a carton of Luckies was \$1.10 on ship. There was no hard stuff or beer afloat, but the beer and mixed drink prices were the same, as I recall, when we got off the river onto a base camp.

Monday I mentioned an antique mall, actually it was a multi-level building, in Putman, CT with a lot of display cases. I would estimate that about 20% of them had some type of numismatic and/or military items for sale. Most of the items were coins, but there were a few banknotes, including a nice AU set of North Africa notes, and a number of military medals. Two medals in particular drew my interest. The first was Merchant Marine Service Medal for Vietnam, which I had not seen before. The ribbon for this medal differs only from the military version in that the two outer stripes are blue instead of green. The obverse depicts the Merchant Marine Crest with the words "Vietnam Service" while "United States Merchant Marine" with an anchor and shield are on the reverse. I was aware of and had seen the Philippine Defense Medal but did not have one. The reverse of this scalloped shaped medal bears the inscription "For The Defense of the Philippines". The ribbon is red with two white stripes and three five pointed stars. Both are now part of my modest collection

of awards and decorations.

In Boston, Wendy found a metal book mark issued by the British War Relief Society. Go to the website for a scan and for scans of the souvenir card and note issued in Boston.

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Dear Editor,

> >I found it interesting that Fred found one of my challenge coins for
sale at an
> >ANA convention.
> >I had a total of only 300 of these minted in silver/bronze/copper
finish in
> >2004. I have a few dozen yet to be distributed.
> >[see: http://davidklinger.blogspot.com/2004_09_01_archive.html]
> >I really enjoy the reporting from the ANA convention from you and Fred
(and
> >others) - keep it up. It is very useful to hear what's happening from
the
> >various conventions, Fests, shows, seminars etc for those of us who
don't travel
> >much anymore.
> >David Klinger

Dear Editor (and Herb),

> > You can apply at the cmp website and it gives information about how
to buy M-1
> >rifles and they will eventually have some more 03's however they are
out of
> >those at the moment. civilianmarksmanprogram.com should get you there
. They
> >have an office at Port Clinton and also at Anniston , Alabama. Sam
Feeback
> >

Dear Editor,

Take a look at this great video.

> >We have all seen the Sailor kiss on Broadway in New York, but how many
have seen
> >this? And check out the color fidelity.
> > <http://vimeo.com/5645171>
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Bill Myers

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Post ANA Report,
by Howard Daniel III

I left Boston, MA at 6 AM. By 12:35 PM I was between mile markers 329 and 330 on I-90 West in western NY state. A wall of water started pouring out of the sky (I am assuming Joe Boling hit it too on his way back to Indiana) and a lot of traffic started going from 65 mph to 5 mph. Someone behind me did not realize the change soon enough and slammed on his brakes. He began an out of control hydroplaning spin behind me and just knicked the back right side of my vehicle before doing down an embankment at high speed. I pulled over onto the shoulder and put on my 4 blinkers and ran

back up the road where I was just above the car. A couple of other cars pulled off to "look" down at the car (maybe a VW Jetta) and I yelled at them to call 911, and they gave me the thumbs up sign. I got down to the car in about a foot of water and just before the tree line. Two young college-age men were in the car and trying to hide/move something between the front seats (pot or?). I had to beat on the window a long time before the passenger side man finally opened it. I asked them if they needed any medical attention. They said "no." One of them started to call someone and

I told him the two cars up on the shoulder already called 911. He continued to telephone so he was probably calling someone else. They did not seem to want me

around so I said "goodbye." When I got back up to my vehicle, it was still pouring down buckets of rain. I was soaked to the bone below my windbreaker and my glasses were covered with so much water I could hardly see. The two cars behind me merged back into the traffic and went by me. Cars were weaving all over the place in the downpour and I was believing one of them would see my four blinkers and think I was the back of another lane of traffic. So I merged into the traffic and went to my/next exit, which was only a couple of miles away. I just happened to be close to where I was staying overnight at the nearest Comfort Inn before seeing an old Vietnamese friend in nearby Fairport, NY. When I got off at my I-90 exit and past the toll booth, I stopped at the first gas station just as the rain stopped and asked where was the closest trooper station. It was just a couple of miles up the road. I went there and reported my involvement with the accident. The commander asked that I go back to the exit/toll gate where I came off of I-90 and wait for the trooper working the accident. I waited a little over an hour and the trooper finally showed up. He started chewing on me about leaving the scene of an accident. When I explained my

reasons because I was thinking I was going to be in a second accident, he smiled

and agreed with me, and because I went directly to the nearest station, he knew

I was not trying to evade him. He said accidents in the storm were causing other accidents and every trooper in the area had multiple accidents to cover and that is why it took him over an hour to get to me. I gave him my license and insurance papers, told him what happened, and he worked me into the accident

report. He showed me that he had to write that I left the accident scene but

with good reason. He asked me for my cell number and where I was staying (closest Comfort Inn). We talked about the Army for awhile and then he drove

off on another call. I drove away from the exit/toll booth and soon found a

Comfort Inn and got into my room where I stripped and dried out.

The next morning, I drove to Fairport, NY and found the home of an old Vietnamese officer friend. His entire Catholic town evacuated from North Vietnam to the South in 1954 with their French-Canadian priest. They settled

near Dalat and built a new suburb with a new church. It took many years to

complete everything. He joined the Army at 17 years old in 1955; went to officer's candidate school; and was assigned in many areas of the Army before

ending up at the Joint General Staff (JGS) Headquarters near Tan Son Nhut AB in

1975. When things got bad in early 1975, he sent his wife and three children to

the USA and the Catholic Church settled them in Fairport. There are now about

3,000 Vietnamese in the town. He worked until April 30 when the VC entered JGS

and told him the war was over. He was sent to a re-education camp a few weeks

later and was released in 1983. They would not allow him to leave until 1990.

His wife worked, bought a house in Fairport and raised the children. She sent

money to him and he walked around the Nam Bo (3rd & 4th Corps) asking everyone

if they knew anything about the printing of money and its use during the French

Indochina War. He met almost all of the supervisory staff and met many of the

workers. He had many interviews with some of them and just one or two with others. He is now written a book in Vietnamese about what he knows about the money of Nam Bo and it is now more than 250 pages with plenty of illustrations.

I will assist him with editing his English edition. After going over the book, I told him I had more information and pieces for him so he can expand the book. After we set up a schedule where he will send me 3-5 pages per day, he showed me

his collection of everything that ever circulated in Viet Nam from cash coins to

date. It is not complete but he does have some pieces I have never seen or do not own, and I have some duplicates I can send to him. For MPC collectors, he has four MPC replacement notes and they are: 641 5C J00222148, 661 10C B0096937;

692 5C E00409575; and 692 10C E00329866. He does not have the specialized MPC catalog so I need to buy one and send it to him. That is all for now. I hope all of the Festers and Gramsters at the Boston ANA had an uneventful drive and/or flight back home.

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CHAMPIONSHIP QUESTION CORNER Questions for this space from subscribers and always welcome and eagerly solicited. The only requirement is that you also provide the answer!

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Do you remember the Match the Monarchs question? Well we have another matching quiz. This time it relates to AMC and we will give you the country and you have

to tell us the Operation name that was assigned.

Italy
France
Germany
Austria
Japan

Denmark

Answer next time.

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ANSWER TO PREVIOUS QUESTION

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What was the series designation of the last three series of Frankfurt
Barter
Units?

Answer:

1947, 1947A, 1947B, the last one was not issued.
The Myers

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EDITORIAL

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Continuing on what to put n the next edition of Remembered Nick Schrier
has a
suggestion and John Kallman can provide information of chits and tokens
from the
Pacific area.
See Mail Call.

I had mentioned in a prior Gram that we found a metal bookmark from The
British
War Relief Society while we were in Boston. A little research reveled
that this
organization was
formed in 1941 to oversee and administer efforts by various US based
charitable
organizations who
were providing money and supplies to the British. Initially the relief
started
in 1940 after Dunkirk and
Blitzkreig. An eBay search found there are a number of collectibles
associated
with the BWRS including
lapel pins and tinnies. So if you collect, say, Red Cross items from the
war
years, the
BWRS items may also be of interest. The question now is do they belong
in The
Book. I would think
that a brief mention might be in order, perhaps a sentence or so in the
US
ephemera section along with
the Red Cross information.

I also mentioned I was going to scan the Boston souvenir card and the
minifest
note and send them over to the website.
The problem is my scanner quit on me. We are working on getting it
fixed.

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Dear Editor,

I will add my story....

I won't talk about the story written in Fred's MPC book about MPC and drugs as

you can just read it there but here is my Pay Officer story.

Somehow I was assigned as Pay Officer for my unit's in Vietnam. The first was

the 225th Aviation Battalion based at ThuyHoa and the second was the 73rd Aviation Battalion in Long Than. I still have a copy of the orders assigning me

to that position.

I was assigned to pay M-Z last names. I never have figured out how the finance

section figured out the exact number of bills to pay everyone but it was magic

to me. Most of the troops had most of their money sent home

automatically so

their pay in Vietnam was not a lot. You didn't need a lot of money in-country

except for beer, cigarettes, hooch maids, and a very infrequent trip downtown.

Of course you had to have money to play poker.

The day before pay day I had to go to the finance section to count and sign for

the MPC and some greenbacks (that story in a minute). Once it was all counted,

I had to initial and seal my big package and put it back into the safe. The

next day the troops would file in, report for pay and I would count out their

MPC and they would sign for it.

Fred posted some photos of me holding up stacks of \$20 notes, all crisp uncirculated. I had no idea that there was anyone that would want to collect

the stuff. We just threw away all the bands and boxes the MPC came in without a

thought as to their value to collectors. I had ample opportunity to go through

all the notes to look for replacements or special numbers but that never entered

my mind.

For the greenbacks....we had a detachment stationed in Udorn, Thailand and MPC

was not used there. So, each month I flew to Udorn and paid those troops in

greenbacks. While I was there I flew a few combat missions to relieve the guys there. These missions were much more dangerous than the ones I normally flew in

Vietnam.

I was Pay Officer from June 1971 until April 1972 so there were no conversions

while I was there. In spite of what Fred's book says, I paid in fractionals

right up until the last payday in 1972. I did think about bringing some MPC

home and I did.....two 692 \$1.00 notes that I promptly taped to a poster for

display. I still have those, tape residue and all.

Bill McNease

Dear Editor,

What to put in WW II redux (revisited?) I have my stepfathers USCGR dog tag

(He was in Kunming and some Chinese I've spoken to still remember the Americans.

Any interest in adding dogs to the book? Who has time to do all this research?!!

Also, I have a copy of aviator safe conduct pass from China.

Nick Schrier

[Dear Nick, I love a scan of the aviator pass from China to put on the website

- Ed.]

Dear Editor,

About Fred's exhibit. Roger says "a US silver dollar." Bill Myers says "a seated

Liberty dollar." Well, yes, Liberty is seated, but it's a trade dollar - only a

US coin after the fact (trade dollars were finally made legal tender in 1965 -

David Ganz has a very interesting story about buying a George Washington presidential dollar with a trade dollar from the mint sales table

at Grand Central Station when the Washington dollars were released in 2007).

About Herb Freidman's efforts to obtain additional Springfields for his local honor guard, I tried to buy a Springfield from the DCM sales program this

year, and they are out of them. They say they occasionally get them returned

from such honor guards - they allow them to pile up for a while (didn't say

exactly how deep) before making them available for sale, and sell them out immediately. But you can still get Garands and M1 carbines from them. One of the

carbine manufacturers was in Port Clinton - Fred now has a quest to obtain one of those pieces (DCM has none). DCM, by the way, is Director of Civilian Marksmanship - they have a warehouse on Camp Perry, and their national HQ is there (they have a larger warehouse in Alabama - Anniston, I believe, where Mr. 691 works (or worked)).
Joe Boling

Dear Editor,
Per Fred Schwan's comments on Gram from Friday August 20th, I can supply an extensive listing of military chits (and related items) from Japan, including some illustrations.
Follows is a small sampling. The Catalog numbers are of my own creation where "CH" stands for "chits". The letters after the color notation are my estimates of rarity where "C" equals Common, "O" = Occasional, and "R" = Rare.

AMERICAN FEDERATION OF / GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES / OKINAWA LODGE 1678

CHA50-5	5 CENTS	BLUE	C
CHA50-10	10 CENTS	PINK	C

FORT BUCKNER / NCO OPEN MESS

CHB50-5	5 CENTS	YELLOW	C
CHB50-10	10 CENTS	BLUE	C
CHB50-25	25 CENTS	GRAY	C

NCO CLUB / CAMP CHITOSE / APO 309-1

CHCC10-5	5 CENTS	GRAY	O
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CAMP DRAKE NCO MESS / 5 cents / Good - For - Bar - Only

CHD10-5	5 cents	KRAFT	O
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CHD50-5	5 CENTS	LAVENDER	C
CHD50-10	10 CENTS	YELLOW	C
CHD50-25	25 CENTS	GREEN	C

DRAKE DOUGH CAVALRY CASH MONEY

CHD40-5	5	MAP STOCK	R
CHD40-10	10	MAP STOCK	R

CHE50-5	5 CENTS	GREEN	C
CHE50-10	10 CENTS	PINK	C
CHE50-20	20 CENTS	WHITE	C

NOTE: chits were issued in \$2.00 books as follows:

- 2 strip of five 5c chips
- 1 strip of five 10c chips
- 1 strip of five 20c chips

I also have a pretty extensive listing of military relate tokens from Japan and Okinawa. China, Taiwan, and Korea as well (chits too) so I can help pretty much

with most areas of the Far East.
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back, two hole punched (vertically). Verified original by Joe Boling- AU. \$200.00

Netherlands Indies 5 cent block S14- numbered blocks are getting scarcer especially in UNC as this one is. \$6.00

Malaya p.M7- 10 Dollars with serial number (MA439750). Choice VG/F. \$30.00

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NEWS FLASH - WISCONSIN COLLECTOR HAS NEW ADDITION

Attached is the latest acquisition for my collection. This maverick is unattributed, not listed in Pick and as yet unnamed. He grades out at EF with a

couple hard creases not affecting the design. A picture is on the website.
Jim Downey

Editors Note: The following feature appeared in the August 22nd, 2010 issue of the E-Sylum (Vol 13 #34) and is reprinted here with permission.

5 CENT TAOM RIVER ROADHOUSE MILITARY SCRIP OF 1943
Jim Duncan of New Zealand submitted this item about an interesting piece of World War II scrip. -Editor
In the New Zealand Numismatic Journal of May-August 1953 the 'father' of numismatics in NZ, Allan Sutherland, reported some military scrip used in New Caledonia by American and New Zealand troops stationed there. He said that although the US dollar was the preferred currency (and NZ currency was in short supply) the YMCA at Taom River Roadhouse provided paper chits for the use of the troops.

The notes he had were approximately 3 inches by 2 inches, and there were 1 Cent

and 5 Cent notes. These were, he presumed, duplicated on brown, white and cream

duplicating paper, enclosed by ruled lines and cut out with scissors.

The 1 Cent note has ONE CENT separated by the figure one in a circle, and above

is TAOM RIVER and below ROADHOUSE. The white 5 Cent note has a small drawing of

five swimmers, two swimming to right, one diving in and one about to dive. The

fifth looked on. The legend is REDEEMABLE AT TAOM RIVER ROADHOUSE ONLY with

lines for signatures by the PRESIDENT and SECRETARY. Both notes are printed in

black. Taom River is inland from Ouaco.

Now another specimen has emerged - a 25 Cent note. It is as illustrated, with a

map of New Zealand in the centre, and the date MAY 1943 at the bottom. It measures 4 inches by 3 3/8 inches (or 101x61mm) and certainly looks to have been

cut out with scissors. It is black on coarse aged white (or possibly cream)

paper.

There is a 25c symbol in each corner. In the centre is a map of New Zealand,

with TWENTY FIVE CENTS along the top and 'Redeemable at TAOM RIVER Roadhouse

Only' across New Zealand's North Island, with dotted lines for 'President' and

'Secretary' signatures at the bottom. In small print is MAY 1943 near the bottom

edge.

None of the sighted notes are signed, and there are no registration numbers. The

writer would be delighted to hear from any collector who has more, or any, of

these very scarce pieces.

In the same article Allan reported a card issue for Helavo Seaplane Base, and a

paper issue in New Caledonia by NZ Divisional Signallers.

[Go to the website to see the note - Ed.]

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always welcome and eagerly solicited. The only requirement is that you also provide the answer!

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Do you remember the Match the Monarchs question? Well we have another matching quiz. This time it relates to AMC and we will give you the country and you have

to tell us the Operation name that was assigned.

Italy
France
Germany
Austria
Japan
Denmark

Answer next time.

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ANSWER TO PREVIOUS QUESTION

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No takers for the last question - so it stays up.

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EDITORIAL

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Welcome to our newest Gramster who is, as yet, un-named but can be viewed on the

website. The latest edition to the Downey family supplants young Simon Downey as our youngest member, although Simon is still the youngest to have ever been to a Fest. Might this change come next March, and will we see both Downey brothers in attendance? We will have to wait and see. Congratulations and best wishes to the proud parents. We could have a naming lottery, but I will leave that to mom and dad.

Keith Bauman has an interesting homemade chit book that he would like some information about. The booklet looks like others of the homemade variety that I

have seen, but I can't give you any more than that. The fact that it contains 92 notes seems odd (I know it's an even number). The scan has been sent over to the website so take a look and let us know what you think.

Peter McDonald has also submitted an article, this time a token, for identification. His letter is in Mail Call,

but there was no scan sent. If one is available I can put it on the website.

The VJ Day Commemorative notes have been sent to those who did not receive them at the Memphis minifest. I only lack an address for Danny Spungen.

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Dear Jim,
Very nice! Congratulations on a good looking boy!
Jamie Yakes

Dear Editor,
One of my customers gave me the booklet in the attached scans and asked if I could get info on the item.
The booklet contains 92 ten centavos Jap occupation of Philippines notes P-104b all but the first not are uncirculated. All notes are securely bound on the left end into the spine of the booklet. Spine is weak and lacks the light green cover paper which is on the front and back covers of the booklet.
Is this something that was put together during or just after WW2?
Does this have any value over the price of each individual note??
Have you ever seen anything similar???

Thanks in advance for all your help,
Keith Bauman

Dear Editor,
I came across a token the other day that I have never seen.
Obverse: 4 lines
Line 1: Good for
Line 2: 5 cents
Line 3: a cartouche with Co. D 16th Inf
Line 4: in trade
Reverse:
The Brunswick BalkeCollenderCompy. w/ a pool table and in the exergue:
:check
I am familiar with that token group but I have never seen any issued by the Military. Anybody able to direct me?
Peter McDonald
Montreal, Canada

Dear Editor,

Had a great time at the ANA Convention this year, particularly sharing it with my son. It was nice seeing all the MPC folks, however, as usual, I forgot to bring my "Challenge Coins." Here, I have a collection of at least 50 Challenge Coins of Army, Navy and Marines, plus all the Challenge Coins I have amassed from the MPC Fests in Port Clinton. I wonder sometimes, what makes me forget these coins! My forgetfulness resulted in getting caught coinless by Neil & Joel Shafer, Master Sergeant Daniel, Joe Boling, David Frank and the Feller family. Watch out for me at the next coming MCP Fest. You won't catch me this time, but

I will be buying a beer or two for each who caught me this last time! Until we coin again,
Allen Berk

Dar Editor,
I am interested in what you wrote, about the "I also have a pretty extensive listing of military relate tokens from Japan and Okinawa. China, Taiwan, and Korea as well (chits too) so I can help pretty much" by John K. Kallman, mainly about China. Would it be possible to put us both in contact?
Thanks,
Neil Kaplan
[Dear Neil - I can send your request to John (I'll need his email address again)
or he can reply here in the Gram. Either way,
we would appreciate both of you sharing any relevant numismatic information -
Ed.]

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To report lost/stolen numismatic items, or if you have any information that will help in their recovery, go to: www.numismaticcrimes.org

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Netherlands Indies 1 cent block S/DM- Abt AU. \$3.00

Philippine 10 Peso notes with black JAPWANCAP overprint. \$1.50 ea.

All prices include postage. Please contact Andrew Keene

(andrewkeene@me.com) if

interested.

FOR SALE (GRAM 19676 8-27-10)

FAR EAST CHITS

Follows is a small sampling. The Catalog numbers are of my own creation where

"CH" stands for "chits". The letters after the color notation are my estimates

of rarity where "C" equals Common, "O" = Occasional, and "R" = Rare.

AMERICAN FEDERATION OF / GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES / OKINAWA LODGE 1678

CHA50-5	5 CENTS	BLUE	C
CHA50-10	10 CENTS	PINK	C

FORT BUCKNER / NCO OPEN MESS

CHB50-5	5 CENTS	YELLOW	C
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CHB50-10	10 CENTS	BLUE	C
CHB50-25	25 CENTS	GRAY	C

NCO CLUB / CAMP CHITOSE / APO 309-1
CHCC10-5 5 CENTS GRAY O

CAMP DRAKE NCO MESS / 5 cents / Good - For - Bar - Only
CHD10-5 5 cents KRAFT O

CHD50-5	5 CENTS	LAVENDER	C
CHD50-10	10 CENTS	YELLOW	C
CHD50-25	25 CENTS	GREEN	C

DRAKE DOUGH CAVALRY CASH MONEY
CHD40-5 5 MAP STOCK R
CHD40-10 10 MAP STOCK R

CHE50-5	5 CENTS	GREEN	C
CHE50-10	10 CENTS	PINK	C
CHE50-20	20 CENTS	WHITE	C

NOTE: chits were issued in \$2.00 books as follows:

- 2 strip of five 5c chips
- 1 strip of five 10c chips
- 1 strip of five 20c chips

I also have a pretty extensive listing of military relate tokens from Japan and Okinawa. China, Taiwan, and Korea as well (chits too) so I can help pretty much with most areas of the Far East.
John K. Kallman

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WANTED SECTION:

Collectors may submit lists of items wanted for their collections for listing here.

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Fest challenge coins in all metals; will buy or trade.
Contact Jim Aitken at: james.ann.aitken@comcast.net

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Thanks, Dan & Kathy Freeland

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Long Beach Coin, Stamp & Collectible Expo
Long Beach Convention & Entertainment Center
September 23-25, 2010, Admission charge.

Discount coupon available at site:
<http://longbeachexpo.com/>
HA Auction & probably CAA sale,
www.HA.com

Whitman Philadelphia Expo
Pennsylvania Convention Center
Sept. 30 - Oct. 2, 2010, Free admission.
Exhibits,
Info at: www.whitmanexpo.com
Auction's by Bowers and Merena,
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25th Annual National & World Paper Money Convention
Info at: <http://www.pcdaonline.com/>
St. Charles Convention Center
Show information: Kevin Foley, kfoley2@wi.rr.com
October 13 - 16, 2010, Free admission
Probably a MiniFest, club meetings
Auction: Lyn Knight,
www.lynnknight.com

The Silver Dollar & Rare Coin Expo
St Charles Convention Center
Oct 14 - 16, 2010
Scotsman auction, Free Admission
Same location as the PCDA show but
in a different hall.

Whitman Coin and Collectibles Baltimore Expo
Baltimore Convention Center
Nov. 4 - 7, 2010, Free admission
Auction by Bowers and Merena
<http://www.bowersandmerena.com/>

Santa Clara Coin, Stamp & Collectibles Expo
Santa Clara Convention Center Nov 19 - 21, 2010

Michigan State Numismatic Society
Hyatt Regency Dearborn
Nov. 26 - 28, 2010, Free admission
Show info: <http://www.michigancoinclub.org/>
Exhibits, meetings, possible MiniFest

Houston's 54th Money Show of the Southwest
George R. Brown Convention Center, Free admission.
December 2 - 4, 2010
Show info: www.houstoncoinshow.org

Show Calendar 2011

Florida United Numismatists
Tampa Convention Center

January 6 - 9, 2011, Free admission.
Exhibits, programs, probable MiniFest
Show info: www.funtopics.com
Exhibit Info: FranLockwood@aol.com
Auction which includes a large paper money sale
Heritage Auctions, www.HA.com

39th New York International (NYInc)
Waldorf Astoria, Admission charge
January 6 - 9, 2011
Should be discount coupon on the
NYInc web page:
<http://www.nyinc.info/>
Programs
Multiple auctions daily
Show information contact
Kevin Foley, kfoley2@wi.rr.com

Northwest Coin Club's 77th Annual Money Show
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Summer School report,
by Tony James

Conspicuous by my absence from the Gram, I have been awaiting the publication of my article concerning my sojourn at this years ANA Summer school, in the Australian Coin and Banknote Magazine September edition, which has today hit the mail for subscribers and the news-stands next week .
As the editor has first rights to my efforts, all I will do is apologise for the

delay. Attached is a pdf of the article complete with pics and solid plugs for the Gram and ANA Summer school and the Military Classes. So thats 22 million who

might read about it (the editor says I wish!)
NikSharplin phoned me last night and we realized that it has been 6 weeks since we arrived back in Australia from Summer school.
How time flies when you take two weeks out of your real life.
I am still unpacking the treasures that I found during the continuous trading of

the two weeks and the Colorado show. The US numismatic industry should not be in recession any longer after I looked at my credit card statement and the state of my USD account. All I can do is say another very heartfelt thank you to the MPC Gram and MPC Fest for my scholarship and making it another fantastic year to remember.
Best regards
Tony James
Convicted Military Numismatist
and Vegemite smuggler

Editor's Note: Tony's column follows and the photos did not copy over but the captions did. We did try copy the entire article, complete with photos to the website, so take a peek over there.

Noteworld
with Tony James Colorado - return to inspiration

THERE is no doubt that something had been missing! Each June/July for the last two years my mind had returned to an experience that has had a profound influence on my work and collecting life and as a consequence, on the articles

that I have written for CAB over the last few years. In 2006 I was fortunate enough to participate for the first time in the summer school of the American Numismatic Association (ANA) for its entire two week duration. It was even better to return the following year to continue my studies, particularly in military numismatics. These have been the subject of previous columns in this magazine.

For various reasons I did not attend in 2008 or 2009, and even this year my participation was doubtful because the finances were somewhat strained. So it was with a certain amount of relief and considerable gratitude that I accepted a

substantial contribution towards the costs when I was awarded a scholarship by the Military Payment Certificate Gram. (MPC Gram) This publication is produced by a group of like-minded military numismatic enthusiasts who subscribe to an e-zine that publishes 3 times a week, and meet at Port Clinton, Ohio. Their annual convention has grown from about a dozen people 10 years ago to more than 60 people today getting together for up to 5 days. They hold an auction each year to raise funds so that collectors in need can attend the Military Numismatics course held in the second week of the ANA Summer

School. The scholarship fund is further boosted throughout the year by funds or by duplicate collectibles or swaps.

The wonderful world of paper money

It was a no brainer that I signed up for The wonderful world of paper money in

the first week of the summer school. It was taught by Neil Shafer a long-time collector and regular contributor on this subject to the Banknote Reporter for some 40 years. Neil has not only written on US and world banknotes, he was also an editor of the Standard Catalogue of World Paper Money for a number of years and wrote the standard reference work on Philippine paper money and Philippine Guerrilla paper money of WWII.

He was assisted in his presentations by Andrew Keene, described in the course catalogue, as the ANA District Representative and International Bank Note Society Secretary and Colorado College is like a movie set a mix of new and old ranging from 1874 to

2010. YN Chair. Andrew turned out to be all of 14 years old and had been coming to the

ANA summer school for the last three years. His computer skills and banknote knowledge soon revealed why Neil had enlisted his assistance to run the course. During the week the class saw some 400 banknote scans and others were added with

the aid of a portable scanner and electronic microscope, which made it all look so easy. Neil and Andrew encouraged the class to contribute their thoughts on every topic presented, which made for some lively discussion. And the grading exercises were fun, as always, finding out how different students view the same note.

Class of paper money collectors on our visit to the coin press demonstration
Garden of the Gods Park national natural landmark with spectacular rock formations
Andrew (right) Young Numismatist of the Year and Ricardo - teacher of the Mexican numismatics course

Fred Schwan and Joe Boling instructors of the Military Numismatics courses at ANA Summer School

It was no surprise when Andrew was named Young Numismatist of the Year at the schools final banquet.

Military is different the second time around

I participated in the advanced military numismatics class in 2007 when I was last at ANA and therefore had a good idea of what to expect this time. However things are never the same the next time around and with just three in the class there was some intense interaction. It also gave me plenty of time to prepare

and present my final project to the basic Military Numismatics class on the last

afternoon. I had met my class- mates on previous occasions and our time together

was extrem- ely beneficial as I not only filled in some of the many gaps in my knowledge about military currencies from 1930 to 1950, but also found many topics for future articles in CAB.

One of the class members was Andrew Weekes from the World Paper Money class, so

we were able to help each other out on references, scans and information about the ANA library.

As usual, the instructors were Fred Schwan and Joe Boling, authors of the reference book World War II Remembered on which the basic and advanced course

are based. With the next edition of World War II Remembered being prepared, both

Fred and Joe were open to our thoughts about what might be in- cluded.

(Just dont hold your breath - there is still a lot of review and collating work to be

done before the book is published)

Australian WWII POW and Internment camp issues

NikSharplin (fellow military collector and contributor to CAB) from Victoria

was my travelling companion this year and we had arranged to present an evening

talk on Australian POW and internment camp numismatics. This centred on the Hay

camp note issues, internment and POW token issues. We were very pleasantly

surprised to see some 30 to 40 people attend the talk and the questions that

continued for some time after the presentation, showed that there was some

serious interest in the topic. Maybe it was the Australian tag that was viewed

as exotic, apart from the usual convict comments, we were acknowledged for

having come such a long way across the pond and so much further than the two

Canadians who crossed the 49th parallel.

The auctioneers at the Young Numismatists auction. You dont mess with this team!

Not everything was numismatic

The generosity the Americans have always shown me has been extraordinary, and this year was no different. Last time I was in Colorado, Bruce Breedlove introduced me to the intricacies of baseball. Meeting him again this time, he invited me to repeat baseball 101. (I am not ready take the advanced class yet!)

There can be no greater sacrifice than when a guy gives up his season seat to a foreigner and a cricket infidel at that. Too bad, that the Sky Sox didn't win the game, Bruce. The seat was magic, home base, right behind the catcher! Add a quick tour of The Garden of the Gods Park, a registered National Natural

Landmark in Colorado Springs to see some spectacular scenery and rock formations, only a few minutes drive from the ball park, and it was a truly memorable evening.

Auctions and Mini Fest

Having received a scholarship, I was more than happy to take some Australian curiosities for the weekly YN auction. Vegemite seemed to be the object of some mirth and together with Anzac and Tim Tam biscuits, raised funds in an extraordinary way. Add a coin collection from a family friend who had no objection so

long as the proceeds went to a worthy cause and I was able to make a serious contribution to the charity auction each week of the summer school. The other major event at the ANA Summer School is the Colorado Coin Show held on

the middle weekend. This was an opportunity to see notes and coins that do not usually make their way to Australia. Add to this the gathering of some serious military numismatists and you have the making of what is known as a Mini Fest, a

meeting of collectors to show and tell what they have found at the show or have brought along to share with fellow enthusiasts. Thank you again to all those who contribute to the MPC Gram, and its scholarship

program. You are assured of my continued contributions in years to come.
info@tonyjamesnoteworld.biz

The Mini Fest at the Colorado Coin Show

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CHAMPIONSHIP QUESTION CORNER Questions for this space from subscribers and always welcome and eagerly solicited. The only requirement is that you also provide the answer!

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What was the country and denomination of the only Allied Military coin and where

was it minted.

Answer next time.

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ANSWER TO PREVIOUS QUESTION

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Austria
Japan
Denmark

Answer:

Italy	Husky
France	Tom Cat
Germany	Wild Dog
Austria	Ordain
Japan	Toy Horse
Denmark	

I am in China so I do not have all of my resources to look up Denmark.
Bill Myers

[Bill is correct and if he did have his resources he would find there was no operation name listed for Denmark - Ed.]

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EDITORIAL

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Many thanks to Tony James for his article and for his kind words about the Summer Seminar and the MPCGram.

If you collect Philippine make sure you read Ray Czahor's letter - it is the first one in Mail Call. There are some nice items up for bid in his mail bid sale.

John Kallman provided his email address and mentions two self published books on

chits from the Pacific area. I can only assume I am not alone in asking for more details about these books, such as availability and cost and do their listings overlap or supplement those in Paul Cunningham's book.

We also have a reference from Kerry Rodgers on canteen coupons which was published in an IBNS journal. If you are a member you can go the the website and pull up the edition Kerry mentions and read the article. If you are not a member, and would like an application, let me know and I'll send you one.

Howard's review of Touched by the Dragon sounds interesting and if you are not a

fan of Sen Kerry, you can skip the introduction.

And for Bill Myers: How long are you going to be in china and are you able to visit the local coin shops to see what goodies are available? Are you taking orders? And, if you can, give us a clue as to what you might bring back.

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Dear Editor,
My WWII Sale ends Midnight Tuesday the 31st. What has surprised me is the lack of interest and bidding on 62 lots of USMPC and Allied Military Currency with low minimum starting bids. I have received single bids on maybe 12 of the lots,

numbered 1175 through 1236 plus 8 Hawaii overprints following those.
Suggest
collectors go to my web site:
<http://mysite.verizon.net/cookiejarpi/>
Ray Czahor
Cookie Jar Collectibles
Box 597
Columbia, MD 21045
Telephone: 301-604-9225

Dear Editor,
While you are at it with the Taom River scrip don't overlook the
following item
from the dizzy days of 1994:
"World War II canteen coupons of the 22nd New Zealand Field Ambulance in
the
Pacific". International Bank Note Society Journal 33(4), 6-10.
This is a New Caledonian scrip. I still have it around somewhere. I was
privileged to talk to the issue's signatory a couple of years before he
died. He

shed considerable light on the exact circumstances behind the issue of
scrip by
the NZ troops.
Kerry Rodgers

Dear Esteemed Editor,
Just before attending the recent Boston ANA Convention, I was in Newport,
RI visiting a Vietnam War veteran friend by the name of Tom Finn, his
wife, and
granddaughters. Tom created the 519th MI Battalion Association and its
reunions. My wife and I attended a couple of them, and the one at Fort
Bragg was especially great because she ran into her former Supply Officer
from
when she was a supply clerk in the battalion. And I had a reunion with
MG
McChristian, the officer who grabbed me away from going into the Ia Drang
Valley with the 1st Air Cav so I could create an intelligence unit for
him. He
very likely saved my life! Tom was also recently helpful to Ray Bows,
who is
working on a new book about Vietnam War bases, clubs and their tokens.
While with Tom, he gave me a copy of a book; Touched by the Dragon, by
Frank L.
Grzyb. The ISBN is 1-55753-133-1. It is about those men and women from
Newport

County who served in the Vietnam War. I started reading it a couple of days ago

and just finished it. As many of you know, I very much not a fan of Senator

John F. Kerry, so it was tough reading his introduction in the book, but the

rest was excellent.

Tom is in the book as a Specialist Four assigned to the 519th. The book is

divided into common experiences with everyone stating their memories within

Final Preparations and Departure; In-Country; War is not all Bad; Being Short

and many other subjects. There was a nice variety of services, assignments, and

officer and enlisted experiences. There were some really tough Purple Heart experiences, but there was also the humor, and my wife kept asking me what

I was giggling about. But there was also some bad experiences where soldiers

were beating on fellow soldiers and harming and even killing Vietnamese civilians. Those bad experience were very tough to read. There was also a section on clubs but nothing was mentioned about club tokens or even MPC.

What happened there?

Overall, I recommend non-Vietnam War veterans read this book because you will read about some real life war experiences and thoughts, and understand more

about how they feel about you, and why they act they way they do. But for some

veterans, it might bring back some bad memories so read it with caution.

The Master Sergeant Daniel

P.S. I have cc'ed Tom Finn, the man who gave me the book.

Dear Editor,

Per Neil Kaplan request for US Military related chits used in China (MPC Gram

1967): I have the following listings:

NAVY Y.M.C.A RESTAURTANT // 10 CENTS (COLOR UNKNOWN)

U.S. BAR / TSINGTAO

20 CENTS BLUE

1st ENG. BN E.M. CLUB

5 CENTS WHITE

7TH SERVICE REGIMENT DIAMOND CLUB

5 CENTS YELLOW

50 DENTS (UNKNOWN)

Also, the 6th Division Officers Club, Tsingtao China issued chits in a \$5

booklet, but have not additional information at this time.
Somewhere, I have on a CD the start of a book that I began working on oh
so many

years ago to try and catalog military related chits, but would need to
root
around and find it!
The U.S. military had a rather extensive presence both in China proper as
well
as various enclaves such as Hong Kong. The items listed here are perhaps
only
the tip of the iceberg so to speak if one takes into consideration all of
the
local issues as well as emergency type script that were issued in the
treat
ports espically with the encroachment of the Japanese prior to the
"offical" out

break (or should I say entry of the U.S.?) into World War II.
Feel free to pass along my email address to any and all!
The above information was taken from my self published book: Military
Tokens and

Chits of China, Korea, and Taiwan - 2nd Edition.
A similiar book was also published which cataloges Japan (to inlcude
Okinawa).
John K. Kallman
cashconnection@yahoo.com

Dear Editor,
From the E-Sylum Volume 13, Number 35, August 29, 2010. I think this is
of
interest to collectors making transactions by mail. Helps one make a
decision.
Warner Talso
Joe Boling writes:
"About the FedEx loss of five coins ten years ago, I can report that
registered
mail entering the US through JFK is being rifled or stolen. I currently
have two

claims in process for rifled or never-delivered mail coming in
from Europe. Linn's Stamp News has also reported loss of registered mail
coming
through JFK. In my opinion, it's better to use regular mail than to call
attention to the

potential value of a mailpiece by registering it. You can recover only
\$45.62 in

value in international registered mail, unless you have independent insurance. A

couple of years ago, the USPS stopped hand-to-hand accountability of international registered mail. Now when a registered piece from overseas enters the US mailstream, it is treated just like any other form of accountable mail - it is accounted for only upon delivery, and if it never arrives at the delivery address, nobody has a clue about where it went astray. That is certainly NOT the service that a consumer thinks is being purchased by using registered mail. And the Postal Service can't understand why it is losing business?"

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FOR SALE (GRAM 19676 8-27-10)

FAR EAST CHITS

Follows is a small sampling. The Catalog numbers are of my own creation where "CH" stands for "chits". The letters after the color notation are my estimates of rarity where "C" equals Common, "O" = Occasional, and "R" = Rare.

AMERICAN FEDERATION OF / GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES / OKINAWA LODGE 1678

CHA50-5	5 CENTS	BLUE	C
CHA50-10	10 CENTS	PINK	C

FORT BUCKNER / NCO OPEN MESS

CHB50-5	5 CENTS	YELLOW	C
CHB50-10	10 CENTS	BLUE	C
CHB50-25	25 CENTS	GRAY	C

NCO CLUB / CAMP CHITOSE / APO 309-1

CHCC10-5	5 CENTS	GRAY	O
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CAMP DRAKE NCO MESS / 5 cents / Good - For - Bar - Only

CHD10-5	5 cents	KRAFT	O
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CHD50-5	5 CENTS	LAVENDER	C
CHD50-10	10 CENTS	YELLOW	C
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DRAKE DOUGH CAVALRY CASH MONEY

CHD40-5	5	MAP STOCK	R
CHD40-10	10	MAP STOCK	R

CHE50-5	5 CENTS	GREEN	C
CHE50-10	10 CENTS	PINK	C
CHE50-20	20 CENTS	WHITE	C

NOTE: chits were issued in \$2.00 books as follows:

- 2 strip of five 5c chips
- 1 strip of five 10c chips
- 1 strip of five 20c chips

I also have a pretty extensive listing of military relate tokens from Japan and Okinawa. China, Taiwan, and Korea as well (chits too) so I can help pretty much with most areas of the Far East.
John K. Kallman

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Editor's Note: This is the second article submitted by Jim Downey on behalf of Richard Roller.

Another Use for MPC,
by Richard Roller.

I Experienced one use for MPCs that will not be found in the instruction manual and that is for leach removal. In the flooded rice paddies, rivers, streams and canals of the Mekong Delta, there were always leaches. Leaches were anywhere and

everywhere, and as a Grunt, you couldn't escape them. Your body heat served as a

magnet and the slimy, little suckers [pun intended] always went for the warmest place on your body, your crotch. We carefully tucked our fatigues trousers into our boots and used an extra pair of boot laces to wrap around our legs, just above the calf muscle and below the knee, to prevent leach entry to our upper body portions. But the suckers are small when hungry and slipped by our best defenses. At first, you just don't know they are there. Once attached, their saliva contains an anti-coagulant that allows them to keep feeding until they become gorged and fall off. The wound they create keeps seeping long after they are gone, then becomes itchy and when scratched with dirty fingernails, becomes infected.

Some guys, the newer arrivals, would use bug juice [insect repellent] to squirt on the feeding leaches. This caused the leach to react violently and it would regurgitate a putrid mixture of you own blood and its saliva into the wound as it retracted. A nasty, painful infection was certain.

Heat, slowly applied, was the best method for leach removal. When it became

uncomfortable, the leach would simply release itself and fall away. To save their smokes for relaxed pleasure, the GIs would take a MPC note and fold it corner-to-corner lengthwise, rolled it tightly, give it a couple of twists and dip one end into a can of gun oil. Everyone carried a trusty Zippo, even the nonsmokers and those who chewed. When burned, the oil soaked MPC note acted like

a smoky punk stick and lasted long enough to free yourself from being the host to those bloated, creepy bloodsuckers. We never gave a thought about wasting a couple of dollars to get the leaches gone. If we had had them, we would have gladly used \$100 bills for the same purpose. Anything to get rid of the leaches,

anything!

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CHAMPIONSHIP QUESTION CORNER Questions for this space from subscribers and always welcome and eagerly solicited. The only requirement is that you also provide the answer!
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Dear Gram,
When I saw the question about the names of operation for printing Allied military currency, I wondered what would happen. Even now I am not sure of how to proceed.
OK, let us do it in two parts. There is an error in Remembered regarding these names. You do not need to be a numismatist to figure it out.
What is the error?
[submitted by Fred]

Answer next time.

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ANSWER TO PREVIOUS QUESTION
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What was the country and denomination of the only Allied Military coin and where was it minted.

Answer:
France 2 francs minted in Philadelphia
Bill Myers
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EDITORIAL

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Being in the Navy, and being ON the water in the Mekong Delta and not IN the water, I cannot claim to have had an experiences with leaches but can only imagine how disgusting and painful they are. After reading about Richard Roller's experience I wondered what denominations of MPC were used. I would think the fractional issues would be the first to go starting with the nickel, but from the description there was no attention paid to the particular note. I also wondered how may replacements gave their future collectible and, in many cases, valuable lives, to get relief.

As you have already read, our publisher has chimed in with a statement and a question. I have a vague memory of this being asked before and I am not sure an answer was ever given. This is a great opportunity for a lot of responses and I would hope many of you are up to the challenge and I look forward to getting your answers. The previous Gram question and answer given by Bill Myers are repeated below.

Do you remember the Match the Monarchs question? Well we have another matching quiz. This time it relates to AMC and we will give you the country and you have to tell us the Operation name that was assigned.

Italy
France
Germany
Austria
Japan
Denmark

Answer:

Italy	Husky
France	Tom Cat
Germany	Wild Dog
Austria	Ordain
Japan	Toy Horse
Denmark	

I am in China so I do not have all of my resources to look up Denmark.
Bill Myers

[Bill is correct and if he did have his resources he would find there was no operation name listed for Denmark - Ed.]

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Dear Editor,

Great to see a "token hound" out there north of the border! Although the use of military tokens largely fell out of favor during the WWII years, they should still be a strong and vital "side interest" to our shared passion for MPC & related material. THE reference is MILITARY TOKENS OF THE UNITED STATES, Paul Cunningham's 2-volume 1998 compendium revision of James Curto's earlier works.

These books should be in all of our personal libraries. I believe Paul is a Gramster and I hope he chimes in. The Co. D., 16th Infantry Brunswick Pool Check (BBC) piece isn't in Paul's list of "mavericks" (tokens not specifically identified as to location) but it sounds virtually identical to dozens of similar pieces used by troopers in the American West during the late Indian wars period ~ 1880-1900. The Brunswick, Balke, Collender Co (BBC) was a billiards equipment, pool table and saloon fittings manufacturer located in Chicago and was a prolific advertiser, marketer and supplier for saloons and sutlers coast to coast during this period - in fact, the Brunswick Co. survives today as a major U.S. producer of sporting goods. The Tokens and Medals Society (TAMS) published a guide to BBC tokens in the late 1970's. Some sniffing around could determine the exact locations where the 16th Infantry had been posted during these years, but I would suspect they were in western TX, or in the AZ/NM territories. Fort Huachuca in Arizona Territory, for instance, had literally hundreds of different units pass in and out during this time, many of whom had tokens prepared. Wyoming and the Dakotas also had a number of posts. As I understand it, these pieces were 5-cent "good for's" that you could purchase from the post sutler - good for a game of pool at his establishment, or perhaps

a shot of whiskey or a beer, or a cigar. There are higher denominations as well. While the base officers knew these establishments were necessary for morale, they didn't necessarily condone the vice associated with card playing, pool shooting and the occasional snort (or twenty!). The tokens served as advertising, a way to keep the soldiers pay within the base community, and a small profit generator. Many were "canceled" with the sutler's imprint when cashed in so as to discourage fraudulent multiple use. Metal detectorists out west find these - the establishments would discard the tokens by tossing them into the post dump or by burying, the reason so many seen today are corroded. They are all scarce, it's a question of condition and desirability/popular locations; I've paid less than \$20 for worn BBC "mavericks" but the good ones can go for hundreds of dollars. If these pieces could talk they would have some tales to tell!

John Riley

Dear Editor,

While you are at it with the Taom River scrip don't overlook the following item from the dizzy days of 1994:

"World War II canteen coupons of the 22nd New Zealand Field Ambulance in the Pacific". International Bank Note Society Journal 33(4), 6-10.

This is a New Caledonian scrip. I still have it around somewhere. I was privileged to talk to the issue's signatory a couple of years before he died. He shed considerable light on the exact circumstances behind the issue of scrip by the NZ troops.

Kerry Rodgers

Dear Editor,

Hi, this is Fred Reed at Paper Money.

A couple years ago I offered to work with the military currency collectors on a special issue of SPMC's journal devoted to military currency and related subjects.

Several list members responded positively at the time, but nothing came of it.

I can't run a special issue devoted to military currency without an extensive assortment of articles on the subject written by the specialists who also read MPCgram.

I am renewing that offer. This month Paper Money once again won "Best Publication" awards from the American Numismatic Assoc. and the Numismatic Literary Guild, so it would be a good place to "preach" on your specialty and recruit new adherents.

What say you all?

Regards,

Fred Reed

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Dear Editor,

Sorry for asking this, but the contact address for John K.

Kallman cashconnection@yahoo.com is wrong and rejected.

Could you help in finding his current active email address?

Many many thanks,

Neil Kaplan

[Dear Neil, the complete address for John Kallman is

cashcoinconnection@yahoo.com - Ed.]

Dear Editor,

Ref Gram 1968:

In regard to the question posted: I can only assume I am not alone in asking for

more details about these books, such as availability and cost and do their

listings overlap or supplement those in Paul Cunningham's book.

The answers is both books are long out of print (but am working on updates), and

also both pre-date the Cunningham books. However, they do include a lot of

material NOT listed in Cunningham as for the most parts he only lists tokens. I

do see these for sale on eBay from time to time.

The partial listing of military chits from Japan that is listed in the Gram are

NOT for sale, but only a sample listing of SOME of the chits that are catalogued

in one of the two books mentioned before.

John Kallman

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Series 11, No. 1970 Saturday, September 4th, 2010

Boer War Green Point Track Notes,
by Joe Boling

4 April 2008 submission [extract]

Back on the subject of watermarks in Boer War Green Point Track notes. I have discovered that the Mafeking siege notes in ten shilling denomination bear the same watermark as the Green Point Track notes, and the middle word of the watermark is indeed "MANIFEST." David Klinger, meanwhile, had found an advertisement in a South African book for Croxley, the paper manufacturer, which

also listed that "model" of printing paper by name. Note that when I sent the watermark format out last time, it got run onto one line by the email/editing process. The word LONDON is centered under the words CROXLEY MANIFEST BANK. But the best part of all this is that the watermarked notes are now incontrovertibly linked to the Boer War, and must be considered contemporary printings (though most likely the ones with denomination counters on rectangular

tablets are remainders, as habitually reported). Does anyone else have one with counters on roundels, like the signed one I inspected a few weeks ago?
NEW INFORMATION

David Klinger did indeed discover who the assistant commandant was (through a museum in South Africa), and this seems never to have made it into a gram. He was James Joseph Trydell Perkins, about whom a tiny bit more can be learned here:
<http://archiver.rootsweb.ancestry.com/th/read/SOUTH-AFRICA-IMMIGRANTS-BRITISH/2004-02/1076273254>

Meanwhile, I have obtained two examples of the presumed "remainder" notes issued

(the ones with denominations on rectangular tablets rather than roundels). Both are signed:

H. C. Money

Lt. Col.

Commandant

[date, such as 29.7.00]

What a great name for a numismatic signer! So we can see that even though most

examples of this design in the market are remainders, BOTH design types were issued.

Meanwhile, I have still not been able to determine what text (if any) is on the

banner held by the rampant lion in the Croxley Manifest Bank paper. I have

examined a couple of notes with that part of the watermark in clear view, but

the banner content is not legible.

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CHAMPIONSHIP QUESTION CORNER Questions for this space from subscribers and always welcome and eagerly solicited. The only requirement is that you also provide the answer!

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Dear Gram,

When I saw the question about the names of operation for printing Allied military currency, I wondered what would happen. Even now I am not sure of how to proceed.

OK, let us do it in two parts. There is an error in Remembered regarding these

names. You do not need to be a numismatist to figure it out.
What is the error?
[submitted by Fred]

Our publisher has chimed in with a statement and a question. I have a vague memory of this being asked before and I am not sure an answer was ever given. This is a great opportunity for a lot of responses and I would hope many of you are up to the challenge and I look forward to getting your answers. The previous Gram question and answer given by Bill Myers are repeated below.

Do you remember the Match the Monarchs question? Well we have another matching quiz. This time it relates to AMC and we will give you the country and you have to tell us the Operation name that was assigned.

Italy
France
Germany
Austria
Japan
Denmark

Answer:
Italy Husky
France Tom Cat
Germany Wild Dog
Austria Ordain
Japan Toy Horse
Denmark

I am in China so I do not have all of my resources to look up Denmark.
Bill Myers

[Bill is correct and if he did have his resources he would find there was no operation name listed for Denmark - Ed.]

Answer next time.

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ANSWER TO PREVIOUS QUESTION

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No takers on Fred's question. It's Labor Day weekend and I would think many of our readers are occupied elsewhere. The question will stay for now.

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EDITORIAL

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Howard Daniel sent in information on two auctions, one from Akkermans auctions

and the other from Spink regarding the Tom Warburton collection. I went to all the links and there are

some nice looking notes up for bid. Akkermans is in Euros and Warburton is in pounds so make sure you take the exchange rate into considerations when bidding.

Regarding Spink's Warburton auction, many of the notes are pictured on the website. Tom Warburton had a premier collection, very many of which were military related. There is information on the website for getting

a catalog and if for no other reason that to see what Tom had collected it is worth the inquiry.

With hurricane Earl a memory, it is shaping up to be a great weekend weather-wise. Happy Labor Day and don't burn the burgers.

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shares, coins and historical documents Preceding
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Best regards,
The Corn Akkermans Auctions Team

Dear Editor,

This is the first WWII lot I noticed but there are likely more.

<http://www.akkermansauctions.com/index.php/auction/item/id/8/pid/28436>

> ><http://www.akkermansauctions.com/index.php/auction/item/id/8/pid/27692>

Here is the link to the Spink

auction:<http://www.spink.com/asp/search.asp?st=U>

Howard Daniel III

Dear Editor,

My copy of the Tom Warburton Collection arrived in yesterday's mail.

After a

quick look last night, a lobster bib should be a requirement, I looked carefully

today. Fabulous! It shows the Belgian Congo and Malta the Tom collected in

addition to his military

collection. This will be a catalog with prices realized that should be in your

library!

David Seelye

Dear Editor,

Leech is misspelled throughout gram 1969, by both writers.

Joe Boling

[The spell checker in Yahoo apparently has two spellings: "leach" and "leech"

and it could not figure out which one was applicable. Your editor, however,

should have know. That's what I get for trusting Yahoo!]

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LOST/STOLEN ITEMS

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To report lost/stolen numismatic items, or if you have any information that will help in their recovery, go to: www.numismaticcrimes.org

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Dump your dupes! Your classified advertisement for items for sale, purchase or

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1645 page 225 \$40

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Jaora	1/2	Anna	Pick S-----,	SB-----	UNC	\$ 45.00
Jaora	1	Anna	Pick S-----,	SB-----	UNC	\$60.00
Jaora	2	Annas	Pick S-----,	SB-----	UNC	\$85.00
Muli	1	Paise	Pick S371,	SB 3321	UNC	\$25.00
Muli	2	Paise	Pick S372,	SB3323	UNC	\$45.00
Muli	1	Anna	Pick S-----,	SB -----	UNC	\$55.00
Palitana	2	Paise	Pick S 416 ,	SB -----	UNC	\$75.00
Palitana	1	Anna	Pick S417,	SB 3415	UNC	\$90.00
Palitana	2	Annas	Pick S418,	SB-----	UNC	\$100.00
Palitana	4	Annas	Pick S419,	SB -----	UNC	\$120.00
Vittalgarh	1	Anna	Pick S 461,	SB 3683	UNC	\$60.00
Vittalgarh	2	Annas	Pick S462,	SB 3685	UNC	\$70.00

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Collectors may submit lists of items wanted for their collections for listing here.

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Donations to the scholarship fund may be made by sending a check made out to the Military Numismatics Scholarship Fund.

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Thanks, Dan & Kathy Freeland

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Long Beach Coin, Stamp & Collectible Expo
Long Beach Convention & Entertainment Center
September 23-25, 2010, Admission charge.
Discount coupon available at site:
<http://longbeachexpo.com/>
HA Auction & probably CAA sale,
www.HA.com

Whitman Philadelphia Expo
Pennsylvania Convention Center
Sept. 30 - Oct. 2, 2010, Free admission.
Exhibits,
Info at: www.whitmanexpo.com
Auction's by Bowers and Merena,
<http://www.bowersandmerena.com/>
& Stack's, <http://stacks.com/>

25th Annual National & World Paper Money Convention
Info at: <http://www.pcdaonline.com/>
St. Charles Convention Center
Show information: Kevin Foley, kfoley2@wi.rr.com
October 13 - 16, 2010, Free admission
Probably a MiniFest, club meetings
Auction: Lyn Knight,
www.lynnknight.com

The Silver Dollar & Rare Coin Expo
St Charles Convention Center
Oct 14 - 16, 2010
Scotsman auction, Free Admission
Same location as the PCDA show but
in a different hall.

Whitman Coin and Collectibles Baltimore Expo
Baltimore Convention Center
Nov. 4 - 7, 2010, Free admission
Auction by Bowers and Merena
<http://www.bowersandmerena.com/>

Santa Clara Coin, Stamp & Collectibles Expo
Santa Clara Convention Center Nov 19 - 21, 2010

Michigan State Numismatic Society
Hyatt Regency Dearborn
Nov. 26 - 28, 2010, Free admission
Show info: <http://www.michigancoinclub.org/>
Exhibits, meetings, possible MiniFest

Houston's 54th Money Show of the Southwest
George R. Brown Convention Center, Free admission.
December 2 - 4, 2010
Show info: www.houstoncoinshow.org

SHOW CALENDAR - 2011

Florida United Numismatists
Tampa Convention Center

January 6 - 9, 2011, Free admission.
Exhibits, programs, probable MiniFest
Show info: www.funtopics.com
Exhibit Info: FranLockwood@aol.com
Auction which includes a large paper money sale
Heritage Auctions, www.HA.com

39th New York International (NYInc)
Waldorf Astoria, Admission charge
January 6 - 9, 2011
Should be discount coupon on the
NYInc web page:
<http://www.nyinc.info/>
Programs
Multiple auctions daily
Show information contact
Kevin Foley, kfoley2@wi.rr.com

Northwest Coin Club's 77th Annual Money Show
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Robert
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Series 11, No. 1971

Saturday, September 11th, 2010

Book Review:

The Standard Reference Guide to Indian Paper Money,
by KishoreJhunhunwalla

Joe Boling sent in the following exchange of emails. As you will read Stefano

Poddi is doing some research and would like a little help with India POW coupons.

In his response to Poddi Joe mentions Jhunhunwalla's book and I was curious to

find out if there was more information relative to Indian Princely State issues.

I gave Joe a call and he looked at his copy and said there was a whole chapter.

With that I set out to find a copy of the book to look through and my search of

local libraries and the Internet found there were none to be found. My next

hope was that the ANA had a copy and after checking the website, I found that

they did

and I was able to check the book out on loan. (The ANA library is a great

resource and I recommend it highly). The book, first published in 2000 (ISBN 81

901068 1 3)

is hardcover and is broken down chronologically into chapters each dealing with

a specific issues. It begins with Early Bank Notes of Presidency and Private

Banks,

1770-1861 and goes on to Indian Notes since Independence. There are chapters on

specific issues such as those of the Princely States, Prisoner-of-War coupons

and a

small section on the Indian Nation Army and it's one note issue.

(Remember

Subhash Chandra Bose - well, for you fans, there are two photos, one in color)

Thirty-six Princely States issued and there are quite a number of notes pictured

in color. Since the book came out about five years after Remembered, which is

cited in the bibliography, it augments information on these issues.

There is no price guide and according to the author, one was to be issued on a regular basis.

If you have an interest in this area, I recommend the book. It's was originally

priced at \$75.00; I cannot say what a copy would cost today. I'll just have to keep looking for one and see how much it is.

Now, if you can help Signore Poddi he has been added to our subscriber list.

Good morning Mr. Boling,
I don't know if you remember me, I am a scholar of Italian numismatic and not only, and I written the article " The Devil's Workshop " on issue 47, 4 of IBNS Journal,, that you read and where you noted some errors.Your email to the Editor

was for me a big motivation to do more researches, in particular about the numbers of Operation Bernhard banknotes "issued" .In this way I found the illegal Diary of OskasSkala, the inmate official record clerk of Operation Bernhard and other interesting things about Operation Bernhard.I write to you for your large competence in this particular numismatic sector, how forget your "World War II Remembered?I am writing an article on India Pow coupons and I need

information about who and where (and haw many, if it is possible) issued this coupons and if the International Red Cross was a mediator between the nations, that had broken any diplomatic contact during the WWII, and any information you can give me about the emission of this coupons.
Thanks for your attention.
Best regards.
Stefano Poddi

The best work I know about the Indian POW notes is KishoreJhunjhunwalla's catalog "The Standard Reference Guide to Indian Paper Money." Lance Campbell

also has some listings of them in his book "Prisoner of War and Concentration Camp Money of the 20th Century." I have no separate knowledge of them - I have not studied nor collected the series. We used Campbell as our reference for Schwan-Boling (Jhunjhunwalla's book was not yet published). As for the role of the Red Cross, I also have no specific knowledge about that. Certainly they did serve as mediators and deliverer's of mail, individual parcels, and bulk packages of relief articles for prisoners. I don't know of any

monies that they issued except for their own canteens, and that would have been for troops in the field, not prisoners. Do you have access to the books mentioned above?
Joe

Dear Mr. Boling,
I have the book of Campbell and have the of some pages about India Pow coupons

of the book of Jhunjhunwalla.
In both books there is not what I am searching.
Do you know someone that can help me?
Best regards.
Stefano Poddi

No, I don't know anyone who specializes in Indian POW notes.
Do you receive the MPCGram? It is a 2-4-times-weekly email newsletter for collectors of military monies. You can receive it by sending an email to MPCGram@yahoo.com. Once you begin to receive it, you can post a notice "searching for," and inquire if any other readers are interested in your specialty. There are several hundred readers of the gram.
Joe

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Bill Myers

[Bill is correct and if he did have his resources he would find there was no operation name listed for Denmark - Ed.]

Answer next time.

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ANSWER TO PREVIOUS QUESTION

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Answer:
I was in Tibet and printed the Gram and saw the Editors' RFI (Request for information) about China after I lost computer access. I am in China until 10 SEP. I have been to Beijing, Xian, Chonquin, Lhasa and Shanghai. I go to Guilin

tomorrow, and then fly to the good old USA. I have seen alot of sites and some World war II sites. A little info on WWII numismatics in the museum. As far as numismatic finds I have see tons of "silver coins", all fake of course. I added a 1795 dollar to my collection. I found notes as well but most had nothing to do

with WWII and many were lousy copies.I will report more in the future. As far as the Gram question I must rely on the back recesses of my brain and I remember something about one of the operations listed for the AMC is actually a combat operation and not specifically about the release of AMC, I cannot recall which one.
Myers

Can anyone expand on Bill's answer?

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EDITORIAL
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My intention was not to wait a full week before sending out another Gram, but a few things got ahead of me and, well, we have all been there.

Danny Spungen writes in to tell us about an event in Massachusetts. Go to the link and read the article in Coin News. It sounds like a worthwhile trip if you

are in the area of north central Massachusetts.

John Kallman also wrote in with an offer of military poker chips he has available. See the FOR SALE section below for all the details. It occurred to me Fred should make arrangements to pick up a large number of these for use at the annual Fest Poker Tourney.

They would add a touch of realism to the event and avoid the often confusing question of what are the white ones worth again?
Go to the website for images.

In his letter Bill Rosenblum mentions his wife Rita will undergo surgery. We hope all turns out well and send our best wishes.

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Dear Editor,

There will be a lot of media on this. Donn Pearlman created PR for the numismatic and philatelic trade. The overview was created for the mainstream media.

In addition to closed school student events, there will be events for outside groups and guests. Those that contact the school can pick a program to attend and of course I am giving them a list of guests as well. Anyone interested, can contact me directly.
Danny Spungen

From: Donnpr@aol.com [mailto:Donnpr@aol.com]
Sent: Saturday, September 04, 2010 10:17 AM
To: danny@spungenfoundation.org
Subject: Spungen Foundation in the news: CoinNews.net

Danny,

The news release and two photos about the upcoming exhibit at the Northfield Mount Hermon School are now online at CoinNews.net. Here's a link:
<http://www.coinnews.net/2010/09/03/operation-bernhard-notes-in-massachusetts-exhibit/>

Best wishes,
Donn Perlman

Dear Editor,

I am signing up for the Sacramento ANA in March 2011. Does anyone want to conduct a Mini-Fest during the IBNS meeting at this event? If not, can anyone send me some Mini-Fest notes for it and I will conduct it. Please contact me as

soon as possible so I can make the plans and advertise it.

The Master Sergeant Daniel

P.S. I am stuck in Chicago right now instead of being in the area and almost

landing in Hong Kong on my way to Saigon. My United 747 had a switch problem

and they could not fix it so I am awaiting another 747. Ugh!

Dear Editor,
Please add Dave Seelye and Harold Kroll to the list for MPC Fest.
Kim Bartish

Dear Editor,
[http://historybygeorge.com/catalog/uspatchunitedseamansservicepatchforthe
merchantma-p-1036.html?osCsid=c38fdf2fde579bd4718332a8c0cd9d3c](http://historybygeorge.com/catalog/uspatchunitedseamansservicepatchforthemerchantma-p-1036.html?osCsid=c38fdf2fde579bd4718332a8c0cd9d3c)

There was a Gramster researching this organization[United Seamans
Service];
here
is something to add to an exhibit.
Howard Daniel III

Dear Editor,
Our new Web List 40-I is now on line. This is by far the largest web-only
list
we've issued. The list can be seen at <http://rosenblumcoins.com/40i>
This list is divided into three parts. *Part One, World and Ancient
Coins,* is
highlighted by large runs of 19th Century Australian and New Zealand
Tokens.
Part Two is a huge listing of Palestine coins including all 59
collectible
dates, most of them offered in a number of grades. *Part Three is a very
long
listing of Israeli banknotes* from 1948 through the 1st decade of this
century.

For the first time we've included some photos on our weblist. And we can
try to
supply others that you might want (items must be for sale for at \$25 or
more).
We say "we can try" because as some of you know my wife Rita is
undergoing major

back surgery during the week of September 6th and her recovery will
probably
take the better of part of 6 months. She has been our digital
photographer since

we've gone digital. Until the last week of August I had never taken a
digital
coin photo nor knew what to do to make that photo "appear" on our
website. I
took a quick crash course last week and I hope to get one more tutorial
before

Rita goes under the knife. So when you ask for a picture please be patient. Not only will I be tending to Rita, I will be performing a new task. And for those items that we have multiples of, specifically many Palestine coins, we will take a representative image of that coin in the grade you request. The image may not be the exact coin you receive.

Because of Rita's surgery and other obligations, we'll be in our office only sporadically the week of the 6th. We'll be here for a few hours on Monday but we

are going to take advantage of our last summer holiday weekend. Somebody should be in our office (720-981-0785) most of the day on Tuesday. We will not be in the office on either Wednesday or Thursday but on Wednesday you might be able to

reach us on our cell (303-910-8245). Who knows about Friday. My advice is to send us an email or use our secure order form at <https://ssl4.pair.com/wmrcoins/secure.html> There are a few heading and spelling mistakes that we noticed on the list and we

hope they will be corrected soon. A PDF version of the list will also be up sometime this week.

Best

Bill

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Dear Editor,

Well, I was going to send in a notice about the Akkermans auction, and HADIII

beat me to it. Note that there are some travelers' coupons and Frankfurt barter

store notes, among other items of interest to gramsters. The travelers' coupons

(1DM and 5DM) are priced with opening bids of 800 and 1000 euros (sorry, no reichsmark coupons).
There is also a 100 yen A-yen note in VF (as described by the auctioneer), opening at a reasonable 110 euros.
Joe Boling

Dear Editor,
Per yesterday all 90+ participants of the next Autumn/Fall PaperMoneyFair-Maastricht are listed on the web site www.papermoney-maastricht.eu
So it looks like it is going to be an interesting event again... I am looking forward to it.
I also want to remind you of the next Akkermans Auction consisting of a 1000 lots of mainly Papermoney.
There are some nice highlights in it. Maybe something for you in there...?
This Internet only auction at www.akkermansauctions.com has started September 3rd.
and end on September 19th.
After the auction the lots can be picked up during the Autumn/Fall PaperMoneyFair-Maastricht at table W1-10, the stand of Akkermans Auctions...
Also accepting lots for the next auction in conjunction with the 25th Edition of the Spring PaperMoneyFair-Maastricht.
This will be a live auction in April 2011.
I hope to see you in a few weeks in Valkenburg
My team and I would like to invite you to visit & participate (again?) in the next event for papermoney (and coin) collectors and dealers
"PaperMoneyFair - Maastricht"
which will take place in Valkenburg (The Netherlands)
September (24)-25-26 2010
This is the (still) a bit smaller version of the by now world wide largest event

for papermoney collectors & dealers.

Valkenburg is a small town near Maastricht with a village feeling.
It has easy parking facilities nearby and it does not have expensive hotels only!
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Kind regards
Jos F.M.Eijsermans

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1645 page 225 \$40

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Palitana	1	Anna	Pick S417,	SB 3415	UNC	\$90.00
Palitana	2	Annas	Pick S418,	SB-----	UNC	\$100.00
Palitana	4	Annas	Pick S419,	SB -----	UNC	\$120.00
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The War on Terror vs. German Television
by The Sergeant Major Herb Friedman

Since Howard mentioned North Carolina, I am down there right now. No
currency
connection but if you are interested...I was asked by a German TV crew to
talk
about the use of music in warfare. I have an 18,000 word article on the
subject,

so they thought I must be an expert. I agreed to meet them at Ft. Bragg
where
they would use some scenes of the base as a backdrop. Bragg is where
American
PSYOP is based so that is a good choice.
The German TV crew met me at the airport. They were very personable and
very
young. The crew consisted of the director, his sound man and light man.
They
were all skinny and dressed like rockers, with tight jeans, etc. They
were a lot

of fun but clearly knew little about the Army or how it works. They
rented me a
compact car but I was wearing my "Sergeant Major Retired" cap and the
Budget
Rental agency upped me to a Mercury Marquis. Nice car, just like the one
I have
at home.
We quickly discovered that the Army would not let them shoot on the base.
The TV

director told me he had first approached the Army last November and been
corresponding with them ever since, for close to a year. Then, less than
24
hours before filming was to begin, he was finally told that they could
not shoot

any film on the base. He then tried the Airborne and Special Operations
Museum
in the local town of Fayetteville, but was told that was off limits too.
He
spent thousands of dollars to fly from Germany with a crew and equipment
and he
could have stayed home and shot the interview in a closet.
On the actual day of the interview they went to Ft. Bragg to have one
last talk
and perhaps get permission to use the JFK Special Warfare Museum as

a background. They could not get past the gate. Their German identifications documents were taken, studied, returned, and they were told to turn their vehicle around and leave. They next went to the Airborne Museum in Fayetteville to speak with the curator but the result was the same. No filming would be allowed there either since the museum was supported by the Army. At 3 p.m., I returned to the Fayetteville airport where they were given permission to film in a conference room and had set up their lights and camera. I was interviewed for about 90 minutes and as usual I understand they have three

minutes of the documentary scheduled to show me. The working title of the film is "Songs of War" so I will have to keep an eye out for it. I have done a dozen such interviews and 98% always ends up on the cutting room floor.

This really shows you how the war on terror has affected our lives. At one time I brought my wife and kids to the museum on Ft. Bragg. Now there is no way for the public to enter the base to see the exhibits.

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CHAMPIONSHIP QUESTION CORNER Questions for this space from subscribers and always welcome and eagerly solicited. The only requirement is that you also provide the answer!

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The EA Wright Banknote Company printed notes for what five colonies during World

War II?

Answer next time.

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ANSWER TO PREVIOUS QUESTION

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What/where is Diyatalawa and how is it related to numismatics?

ANSWER:
Diyatalawa was a POW camp in Ceylon. See Campbell.
David Seelye

ANSWER:
Prisoners of the Boer war were imprisoned at Diyatalawa in Ceylon and there were

POWS issues of 50 cents, 1, 5 10 rupees and there were two series.
(Campbell
4801-4808)

Early in World War II the camp was reopened and German nationals resident in Hong Kong and Singapore, as well as many sailors, like those removed from the

Asama Maru in violation of international law, were housed here. Also imprisoned were Buddhist monks of German extraction like Nyanaponika and GovindaAnagarika who had acquired British citizenship. In June 1941 most of the sailors were transferred to Canada. The section for Germans was sensibly divided in a pro- and anti-Nazi wing. There was also a section set up to house Italian POWs. After

the Japanese started bombing the island, inmates were on 23 February 1942 transferred to camps on the mainland. Males usually went to Dehradun.
(from Wikipedia)
The Myers

What prompted this question was lot 169 in the Warburton auction which is a 50 cent note described as very fine and scarce. (200-300 Pounds).

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EDITORIAL

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Herb Friedman's article is not about currency, as he says, but it is related to our hobby because it deals with music in warfare and knowing of Herb's expertise

in the area of Propaganda and Psychological Warfare,
I would find the article he mentions interesting reading. An image comes to mind: picture being on an airplane coming back, say, from Italy and during the eight hour flight a three year old, with a high pitched voice, singing, out of key or course, the same little ditty. Had

I been under interrogation, I could have cracked. Perhaps we can encourage Herb to send it along and we can run it in as a multi part feature.
[We could also use some features from some of our other readers]

Howard Daniel sent in an piece from last Sunday's E-Sylum dealing with cents from the World War II years. Remembered mentions the 1943 (steel) and the

1944-45 (shell casing) cents, but it seems other materials were considered and minted.

Dealers Bill Rosenblum and Keith Bauman sent in information on legislation that will impact numismatic sales. One deals with the issuance of 1099 forms and the

other with import restrictions from Greece. Keith had sent in a scan of a Coin World article by Steve Roach. We can't reprint the article because of copyright rules, but if want to know more I am sure you can access the information on line.

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Dear Editor,
>From the recent E-Sylum;
(Submitted by Howard Daniel)
WAYNE'S NUMISMATIC DIARY: SEPTEMBER 19, 2010
After work on Tuesday I made a beeline for the Bertucci's restaurant in Herndon,

VA for the September meeting of my Northern Virginia numismatic social group, Nummis Nova. Roger Burdette was already there, along with Bill Eckberg, John Saia and Jon Radel. I was the host for the month and had made the reservation, but they didn't write down my request for a private room. Luckily the room was still available and after a few minutes wait they had it set up for

us.
I didn't know it yet, but Dave Schenkman and Gene Brandenburg would be unable to

join us as planned. Mike Packard, Joe Levine and Wayne Herndon soon arrived and we all took seats at the table. Last to arrive was Roger's guest, Mitch Sanders.

Mitch hails from Rochester, NY and is an E-Sylum reader, Numismatist columnist and former Chairman of the Citizens Coinage Advisory Committee. Mitch sat between me and Roger. Roger mentioned that he'd located descriptions of WWII pattern cents and he's working on understanding the whole 1941-1944 experimental series including

metal, glass and plastic tests. After much work he was finally able to assign one of the plastic pieces to a specific producer and identify its composition and how many were sent to the mint. His research will be published in a book covering American coins and monetary policy from 1929-1946.
[Wayne Homren]

Dear Editor,
I am not sure if I have the information that Stefano Poddi is looking for concerning Indian POW notes, but I will try to help. He can contact me at dave@frankcomputers.com.
Dave Frank

Dear Editor,
When the editor gets the Dickinson Paper Company logo up on the website (makers of Croxley Manifest Bank watermarked paper), you will see that the lion is carrying a banner that says "reliance." But David Klinger found another reference to the paper on the web, that actually gives the reading of the lettering in the banner. I have semi-confirmed that reading in notes I have here

(that part of the watermark does not appear very often) - "Lion Brand."
Lion Brand was Dickinson's umbrella name for a whole slew of papers that they made and sold.
Joe Boling
[The image was sent over again - Ed.]

Dear Editor,
Once again our cherished hobby is under attack, and I am asking for your help.
The U.S. State Department is now considering a request from Greece to impose import restrictions on all coins of Greek type. While the attempts to justify this extreme action are both thin and wrong-headed, the threat to our hobby is very real.
We all must voice our opposition before the comment period ends on Wednesday, September 22. Please take a few minutes to do it now!
Due to the overwhelming response we achieved with Faxing in the past, the Department of State has cleverly eliminated faxing as an option for commenting. You must now use the following link to submit your comments.
Note

that you will only have 20 minutes to complete your comments, so it may be worthwhile to write your thoughts before visiting the comment page. Click this link: Comment Page
<http://www.regulations.gov/search/Regs/home.html#submitComment?R=0900006480b3b3c6>

You can also copy and paste this link into your browser:
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For talking points, please have a look at Peter Tompa's blog
<http://culturalpropertyobserver.blogspot.com/2010/08/calling-all-coin-collectors-again.html>>.

You don't need to live in the US or collect Greek coins in order to comment.
You also don't need to craft a lengthy argument. You just need to let the Department of State know that you oppose import restrictions. *Your views matter.* Please help!
This is not a Republican or a Democrat matter. The bureaucrats who run this part of the State Department operate almost freely on their own with their own agenda.
Bill Rosenblum

Dear Editor,
Below is a scan of an article printed in Coin World regarding the 1099 reporting law that needs to be repealed before it goes into effect January 1st 2012. The article contains the Email as well as the Postal address of the IRS where your comments can be submitted regarding this despicable and ridiculous new 1099 law.
The deadline for your comments is Sept 29th 2010.
Thanks,
Keith Bauman

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The SPANG chips are from Germany.

McGuire - New Jersey

CAFB = Columbus, Mississippi

MAB = Mather AFB

LAFB = Currently identified to Luke, Arizona, but that is not a firm identification.

These, and other military chips (not for sell) can all be found on my web site

at: <http://cashcoinconnection.com/Casino/MIL/MilitaryGamingChips.html>

Prices: LAFB (red or blue) \$5 each

CAFB 25c = \$3

CAFB \$5 = \$7.50

MAB \$5 = \$7.50

Spang 25c = \$3

Spang 50c \$5

Spang \$1 (no star) = \$7.50

Spang \$2 (w star) = \$7.50

It is thought that the star was added to denote a different denomination.

McGuire 25c = \$15

For the CAFB chips, the following is known:

1000 B-9 Hub Checks were ordered as follows:

100 Chocolate w/\$5.00 on one side

500 Blue w/\$1.00 on one side

200 Red w/50c on one side

200 White w/25c on one side

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Series 11, No. 1976 Tuesday, October 12th, 2010

Mel Steinberg,
by Larry Smulczenski

This morning, finding nothing of great interest on eBay, I decided to check Mel Steinberg's Web Site to see what great new items he had available. Jeremy does a great job of posting some not frequently seen notes in the weekly offers page that I enjoy seeing even if I usually can't afford them. When the home page opened on my computer, I was a little surprised to see the statement "Coming Soon: Wonderful Banknotes from the Mel Steinberg Collection" That stopped me for a while because I didn't remember Mel collecting anything, in fact if you asked Mel what he collected, he would answer that he was a dealer, not a collector. Anyway, I scrolled back to the 'a word from Mel and Jeremy' page to see what their thoughts were of Maastricht and London. Mel's side of the page was the same as it had been for quite a number of weeks, nothing new. Jeremy's side of the page opened with the news that "Soon I will be offering some wonderful banknotes from the Mel Steinberg Collection on our Website. Mel's health has not been good and it is time to put some of these rarities back into the market." I was taken back by the information that Mel's health had not been good. I had talked with him at length at Memphis and he

professed that he was feeling well. Yes, he had his back operated on and the doctors had fused a couple of vertebrae and that made getting around a little tougher but nothing he couldn't live with. I read on, through the comments on Maastricht, London and the Warburton sale, and then the paragraph that stopped me cold. I will quote Jeremy directly so that you hear it from the horse's mouth and we don't lose anything in the translation.

"Mel's health is not good. He came down with pneumonia last month and the infection entered his blood stream. After further tests recently, the Doctors discovered the presence of Cancer in his lungs. They are going to treat the Cancer aggressively, but at 75 years + and his weakened condition, the prognosis is unknown. He sends his best wishes to all. It was very difficult for him to stay in California and not be able to travel to Europe."

I was shocked as I had heard nothing of this and immediately called Fred. He too, was unaware of this situation. We agreed that the Gram community should know so that anyone who wanted to email or send a card of encouragement to Mel could do so. Mel's email is melsteinberg@mindspring.com and his address is POBox 752, San Anselmo, CA 94979 Let's all in our own way say a little prayer for a speedy recovery by a good friend. ---LAS

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Answer next time.

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EDITORIAL

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Reporting sad news distresses me. I had received a call from Fred late this afternoon and he told me of Mel's condition. I remarked that when I was in Boston I had a conversation with Jeremy about going to Maastricht and to London, and Jeremy said that he and Mel would go to Holland but London was not yet decided.

We left it off that we might see each other in England. At every show I attend I make it a point to stop by Mel and Jeremy's table not only to look through the notes but to say hello. It is always a pleasant encounter. Mel always has a smile and is happy to have a conversation. I had hoped to see him in London. Knowing why he could not go makes me sad. If you know Mel you know he is a gentlemen and a truly nice man. Our thoughts and prayers for a recovery are with him.

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Dear Editor,

Status International in Sydney Australia (a division of I S Wright) has a sale going off 22 October. Among lots of interest to gramsters are chits from the US Army Officers Club at Gregory Terrace, Base Section 3, Brisbane (lots 6722, 6723, and 6846). See also lots 7084-7091 for war savings certificates and motor spirit ration coupons (a group of 90 of those in one lot); lots 8618-8629 for Holocaust and German POW camp-related material; 8640-46 for British POW and Bernhard notes; 8760 for a NZ convalescent depot chit from New Caledonia; 8764-5 for NZ savings bonds; 8833 for one of the Australian counterfeits of Timor (SB281); plus other material such as Channel Island notes and so forth. Go to <http://www.statusint.com/> Note that the Oz dollar is trading just about at par with the US dollar now, and

there is 16.5% juice on this sale (GST inclusive).
Joe Boling

And also from Joe,

Dear Editor,

We are supposed to assume that Dean Shelton's registry set is the AMC francs, since that's the only set mentioned in the press release that's likely to be of interest to collectors? And since the contemporary counterfeits are very collectible, what's PMG's stand on slabbing them (with appropriate recognition of their status)? Will nobody certify a genuine counterfeit as distinguished from a modern counterfeit ginned up for the collector market? We've already seen

genuine original counterfeits slabbed as genuine original non-counterfeit notes
- how about some truth in slabbing?

New topic - Danny Spungen and his family foundation have an exhibit of holocaust

mail on display at a school in Massachusetts through 6 October (probably closed by the time this gets published). It's at the Northfield Mount Hermon school in Mount Hermon, Mass. I'd be surprised if there are not a few numismatic items scattered through the exhibit. I learned about this in Linn's 4 October issue.

And in Linn's 27 September issue was a short notice about a book titled "The Nuclear Option - A Philatelic Documentary." With 560 pages and 1800 color illustrations, the author has documented "all stamps, by country, remotely connected to the atomic warfare topic...." The book was published in England and

costs 39.95 plus shipping, which will not be cheap. It's also available on CD for 16.50, and the shipping will be a LOT less.
Joe Boling

Dear Dean and Editor,
What am I missing here? I went to your link, but could not find anything to congratulate Dean about.
Fred Schwan

Dear Editor,
I have long been interested in the U.S cents of WW II. The letter from Colin

Bruce inspired me to write to the Historical Society of the Tonawandas. This is the response to my e-mail query. Their Newsletter addressed the subject with a short article (years ago) titled: SpauldingFibre Pennies. "Society member Tim Oldenburg is an avid collector of local memorabilia and has donated three small items to us about which he wrote the following interesting information:
During World War II, the United States needed copper for the war effort. Accordingly, in 1943, the government stopped making copper pennies, replacing them with steel pennies called white pennies or steelies. Also, at that time, the federal government approached different companies in the U.S.,

asking them to suggest a substitute for copper pennies. As a result, Spaulding Fibre sent to each member of Congress three (3) different colored ArmiteFibre samples for his or her perusal. However, from 1945 on, pennies were once again made of copper, and the idea of using alternate material for pennies was scrapped." Scans of the samples are attached. [They are posted on the website - Ed.] Of course, these are NOT pattern cents, but rather just material samples - which I suspect was the case of many of the other items referred to in S/B (pg 400).
David Klinger

Dear Editor,
Are you going to FUN in Tampa in Jan 2011 and if so were you going to try to have

a fest dinner like we did this year? If so what day would you think about choosing?
I asked Cindy to get a room and time for a minifest. Bill Myers [Dear Bill, At present I do plan to go to FUN in Tampa and I think the Fest Dinner is a great idea. We can start the ball rolling now with a listing of all

who plan to attend the show.
Perhaps we can schedule the dinner for the evening of the same day as the minifest. Reader input is requested. - Ed.]

Editor's Note - Howard Daniel has sent in a number of links which are of interest to Gramsters/Festers. They are as follows:

http://www.numishop.com/fiche-Loccl1062-lib-1-La_numismatique_des_annees_de_guerre_1939_1945_ROURE_J_.html

<http://collectplaza-auctions.com/auction/?product=14176>

<http://collectplaza-auctions.com/auction/?product=14097>

<http://collectplaza-auctions.com/auction/?product=14072>

<http://collectplaza-auctions.com/auction/?product=13810>

I have seen another piece about the women being freed from the Japanese after WWII in the Netherlands Indies, but this one is a new one to me.

<http://collectplaza-auctions.com/auction/?product=15936>

The Master Sergeant Daniel

Dear Editor,

I'd like to be put in touch with Lt Bartley. how do I get a hold of him?

Ray Bows

[Dear Ray, I have sent Lt. Bartley your email address and advised him you wish to speak with him - Ed.]

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Show info: www.houstoncoinshow.org

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Florida United Numismatists
Tampa Convention Center
January 6 - 9, 2011, Free admission.
Exhibits, programs, probable MiniFest
Show info: www.funtopics.com
Exhibit Info: FranLockwood@aol.com
Auction which includes a large paper money sale

Heritage Auctions, www.HA.com

39th New York International (NYInc)
Waldorf Astoria, Admission charge
January 6 - 9, 2011
Should be discount coupon on the
NYInc web page:
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The Road to Freedom, A History of the Ho Chi Minh Trail.
Book Review,
By Howard Daniel III

After I recently arrived at the Bangkok International Airport to return to Saigon, I had a couple of hours before check-in started. I walked the terminal and found a branch of the Asia Bookstore all the way on the other end of the terminal where no one can see it until they walked up on it. I went to the History section and found The Road to Freedom, A History of the Ho Chi Minh Trail by Virginia Morris and Clive Hills. It was published by Orchard Press in Bangkok in 2006 with ISBN 974-524-076-1. It is hardbound with 180 high quality paper and with a colorful dust cover. When I picked it up, I flipped through the pages and saw lots of never-before-seen maps with Binh Trams (Hqs) and Trail ID numbers! I took it to

the cashier and paid for it with my Visa card because my wife, Phung, had turned

in all of our Baht. The author interviewed several officers involved with the trail, and also traveled the trail with Clive, a photographer, who she later married. This book has first hand information! Her first interview was with General Giap but he did not tell her anything new.

Her second interview was with Lt. General Nguyen Dong Si. General Si held several commander positions involved with the trail. One of his first decisions

(page 10) was that the welfare of the civilians and military on the trail was vital, so he had hospitals, fortified villages, air-raid shelters and other facilities built instead of everyone continuously suffering in the elements. (These facilities (outside of Viet Nam) had to be where the Ho Minh Trail coupons (like MPC) were issued for the civilians and military to buy extra cigarettes, paper and envelopes, candy, etc.) Page 27; the General mentions that the Trail covered "a large percentage of

southern Laos." On page 35, he mentions he took control (1965) of Corps 559

and that the Trail was Secret but in his new rules of engagement, it no longer

needed to be Secret and it was a known battlefield! (But why was the text taken

off the second series of coupons?).

Page 56; the Corps 559 had Rear and Front Headquarters. The Rear was normally

in QuangBinh province and the Front in Laos, but during the rainy months, the

Front would move back into Viet Nam. Between Routes 128 and 129 near Ban Na Hi

and Ban PhuKieu, a tunnel complex was dug into a hill in 1967. It was 200

meters long, 2 meters high and 2 meters wide, and was 170 deep into the hill to

be protected from bombing. It had several entrances/exits. There was a meeting

room large enough for 20 people; and offices for operational (lines of communications and logistics) and political staff. It was electrified and had

communications. On page 57, the Front was moved in mid-1969 to just north of

Sepon along Route 18. Its location changed several times in the area but the

two most used locations were near Ben Tat and Cam Lo (in Viet Nam!?). Many

people were surprised when coming to it to see lights and people listening to

the radio. (It was constantly on the move and I am guessing the old tunnels became Binh Tram headquarters.)

Page 59; the Sihanouk Trail was cut off on July 20, 1970 when the Prince was

overthrown. The Ho Chi Minh Trail became the only supply line! The Trail was

divided into the East and West Truong Son (the sides of the mountain range) and

many military units were added to secure it. The Corps 559 became the Truong

Son Army at the same time (July 1970).

Page 91; there is a picture of a woman panning for gold near Ban Bac, Laos. (I

have some SE Asian gold nuggets in my collection.)

Page 106; several Binh Trams are mentioned and one of them becoming "one of a

handful of 'super bases' comprising a large number of stores and departments.

(They were at the least the places where the coupons could be spent!)

Page 126; "The Trail only became a secret because it was not meant to be in Laos

or Cambodia (correct!), yet it was probably the biggest battlefield of the war and for this reason was better left that way. (This contradicts the above General's comments about it not being secret!?)
Page 138; on May 25, 1973, the Vietnamese name of the Trail changed to Ho Chi Minh as the Americans had named it. And it is now known as the Ho Chi Minh Highway inside Viet Nam where it is being rebuilt into a highway. (And besides known Soviet and Chicom support,) In 1973, Fidel Castro supported trail operations with construction equipment worth \$6 million plus advisors!!!
Page 141; In Buon Ma Thuot, there is a war museum. Most of the notices and captions are in Vietnamese but it is well supplied with artefacts. (I am planning to visit it during this trip)
Page 163; Colonel VoBam was officially appointed commander of Brigade 559 on October 24, 1961, though he served as the commander since it was created in 1959. On April 3, 1964, General PhanTrong Tue was appointed commander, then Brigader General Hoang Van Tri on November 10, 1965. In January 1967, Brigader General Nguyen Dong Si was the final commander. There is a lot of details starting on this page describing each Binh Tram!
Page 169; The Truong Son Army had seven departments; Staff, AAA, Engineer, Transportation, Fuel, Political and Rear Services. (Rear Services had

to be the department responsible for the issue and use of the coupons!)
It is apparent after reading only a few pages that the author and her photographer were supporters of the communist side of the war and not their opposition. But there was enough new information in this book to keep me reading through it.

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Answer next time.

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Series 611, 641, 651, 661, 681, 692, 691,701
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When I was updating the calendar to include the cities as per Warner's request, I noticed that we could use an update, especially since it is only a little over two month's away

until 2011. So can I impose on the Wilsons to do a little research and I would also ask any of our

readers who are aware of shows/events of interest to our readers to send us in some updates.

The show in Metro St. Louis at the St. Charles Convention Center is in progress as this is written. Anyone care to send in a report?

One of the places we visited while playing tourist in London was the Imperial War Museum. The twin fifteen inch naval guns at the front entry are impressive as are the displays

chronicaling all of the wars in which Britain has been involved. We spent most of our visit in the

World War II area and it was very well done with the uniforms, armaments and orders, medals

and decorations. Also displayed were French and Italian AMC in various denominations and a four

notes set of BMA from Tripolitania with the 50 Lira as a specimen. Another exhibit room was devoted entirely to Field Marshall Montgomery and it contained all of his awards, orders, medals and decorations. It also had a small case which held

Monty's short snorter. It was only three notes, a US dollar bill, a British pound note and a British 10

shilling note, all displayed reverse side up. There were only a few signatures, two of which I recognized.

One, as you would expect, was that of General Eisenhower and the second was of Adm. Nimitz. That struck me as Nimitz was in the Pacific

during the war and to my knowledge was not in the European, African theater. It

made me wonder where

the two could have met. Anyone have any ideas?

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will be there whenever its held.

Dave Frank

Dear Editor,

The set is listed as a set belonging to Silver Dollar in the Signature sets,

World subdivision. A set of AMC French

Francs...[http://notes.www.collectors-](http://notes.www.collectors-society.com/registry/notes/ViewPersonalCollection.aspx?UserCollectionID=88&Tab=list)

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In answer to Joe Boling's question, I can not speak for PMG, but if I think a

note is questionable, I will not have it graded for inclusion in my sets.

I am

not the expert that Mr. Boling is, so I will admit that I can screw up, but I do

the best I can. I am very proud of the work I have put in on all of my AMC

sets, and the work ahead on the Lire set. I apologize to anyone who has been

offended by my bragging.

Dean Shelton

[All of us take pride in our collections and numismatic accomplishments, and I

see no need for Dean to apologize - Ed,]

Dear Editor,
Thank you for sending my first MPC Gram. It was very kind of Bill McNease to pay

my initial two year MPC Gram subscription fee. I was with the 38th ADA Brigade in Korea when series 651 was issued, but have only been collecting MPC for a year or so. I am glad to hear that there may be a 'minifest' at the January FUN Show and hope to meet some of you in Tampa.
Benny P. Haimovitz - newportbenny@aol.com aka 'greysoldier'
[Dear Benny - Thanks for your letter and we will be happy to see you in Tampa.
As far as the subscription goes, I hope Bill told you that half has to go to the scholarship fund, half to your subscription fee and the other half to a "special fund" - Ed.]

Dear Editor
I appreciate the notices of upcoming shows, such as those cited below.
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TWIRR #58

This n That
by Fred Schwan

I am sorry that it has been so long since I last wrote. At that time I asked about several things and at least some of them have followups. I wrote that I had obtained a pair of Yokohama snack bar chits from David Seelye at the ANA convention. Neil Shafer and Gary Arva both wrote about other chits from the series. I have now obtained a few more pieces and added some listings to the Remembered manuscript. Thanks to both of those great collectors.

I wrote in a letter about an error in Remembered regarding the names of the printing operations producing Allied military currency. In the military, operations are assigned names so that the operations can be discussed without divulging details about the operation. Operation Overlord was the name for the invasion commonly known as D-Day. Interestingly, the D-day name is associated with operation names. As operations are planned, the planners start by saying that the operation will commence on D-day. Furthermore, they assume that it will be at H-hour of D-day. So, even though we call 6 June 1944 D-Day, every operation of the war also had a d-day. In the unusual intersection of military operations and bank note production, The

respective issues of Allied military currency were printed with a military code

name. The fact that there were code names was first reported by Neil
Shafer and
Ken

Bressett ca. 1968 in the Whitman Numismatic Journal. Actually, it was a
two-issue special issue of the magazine

on the subject of Allied military currency.
We were happy to introduce the names in Remembered. The only thing is
that we
(actually I) made a mistake. Operation Husky was the military operation
for the
invasion of Italy. I listed it as the operation to print AM lire.
I think that this mistake got in when I put it in (in 1993 or so)
anticipating
that I would also put in the other military operations (like Overlord).
Well, I
did not get back to doing that and the incorrect Husky name stayed in the
wrong
place.
To make things more complicated, when I went to find the correct
codeword for
the printing operation, I found that while it was listed for by
Shafer/Bressett
for printing the francs, marks, schillings, and yen, they did not have
the name
for the operation printing the lire.
I was surprised, but not deterred. I made a special trip to Washington
D.C. to
review the documents that Shafer had use ca. 1968 and I had also
consulted ca.
1990. I was amazed to find that the operation name is not in the
documents.
That means back to the drawing board I guess. In the meantime, please get
out
your Remembered and on page 276 please scratch off the reference to
Operation
Husky.

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and
always welcome and eagerly solicited. The only requirement is that you
also
provide the answer!
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There are two types of 20 Franc local emergency issues from the
Tresoreriede
Noumea; what is the difference between the two?

Answer next time.

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ANSWER TO PREVIOUS QUESTION

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Listed are 6 printers mentioned in Remembered. What did they print?

BEP: MPC Series 611, 641, 651, 661, 681, 692, 691,701

B yen 1 yen B-B,

Austria 25 shillings AMC

Italian AMC Series 1943 (no f)

Bank of Korea issue of 1953 1, 5, 10, 100, 1000 yuan

US Defense and War bonds

Philippine Special notes and Aviator packets notes

Philippine Victory notes

North Africa notes

Hawaii notes

Forbes: MPC 481 2nd-4th printing, 521, 591

German AMC (with f)

Supplemental and provisional francs

Austria AMC 50 groschen, 1, 2 shillings (no wavy line watermark)

Italian AMC Series 1943 (with f), Series 1943 A

Special Army Currency 1/2, 1 DM

Stecher-Traung: A & B yen (except 1 yen B-B, C-C, D-D, 5 yen B-B, all 1000 yen)

Tudor Press: MPC 461, 472, 481 1st printing, 541

Special Army Currency 2, 5, 20, 50 DM (latter 2 without series 1948)

Thailand Liberation issue (numbered at BEP)

EA Wright: Notes for Morocco, French West Africa, Martinique, Guadeloupe, French

Guiana

Great Lakes Bank Note Co.: MFC (Military Fest Certificate), CFC (Convention Fest

Certificate), AFC (Allied Fest Certificate), FBCC (Fest Bourse Change Certificate),

FAC (Fest Anniversary Certificate), RJB (Re-elect Joe Boling), Training Money

The Myers

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EDITORIAL

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Regarding Steve Feller's letter, it is dated 12 October, but did not get to the

Gram until after I had sent out Friday's Gram. I can only assume the Thursday and Friday Steve mentioned are the 14th and 15th of October. That being the case, the symposium

had already occurred. Perhaps Steve can give us a report. The play Copenhagen is scheduled for late January, 2011; see the link for details.

When the Gram first started with the Championship questions, I made index cards of each question and the correct answer. As of the last Gram we have gone through all of those questions. We now have some options. I can go through Remembered and other volumes and make up the questions myself; readers can send in questions; Jim Downey can send in some of the questions he used at the last Fest or I can go through the original questions again. I am not really in favor of the last option and would like to have the questions come from a combination of the first three options I mentioned. There is one more option: we can discontinue asking the questions. I would like some reader response here. It's your Gram, I only put it together from what gets sent in, so let me know what you think.

Thanks to George Fitzgerald for his report on the St. Charles show. From what I have heard from other collectors and some dealers, the show attendance has been in decline for a while and because of that the show will move to Chicago in the hope of attracting more participants. I had gone to the show twice in previous years and was able to find a note or two and my experience was a positive one. With CPMX, the ANA World's Fair of Money and now the St. Charles show all in Chicago in 2011, it looks like a busy year for the Windy City.

For those planning to go to FUN in January, see Howard Daniel's letter below.

Again, we need
some input here.

Lastly, I've not forgotten about my promised report on the Warburton Auction lots that did not sell and those that sold well above estimates. It will be in a Gram this coming week.

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Dear Editor,
Two items:

First, Coe College is hosting a symposium on William Shier, a distinguished alum

who wrote "The Rise and Fall of the Third Reich." I'm going to speak at it on the story of the Konversionskasse notes and bonds. The event is this Thursday and Friday and is free. The info is here:

<http://www.public.coe.edu/departments/Library/SymposiumPresenters.html>

My talk is: The Konversionskasse Scheme of Hjalmar Horace Greeley Schacht, Reichsbank President and Minister of Economics in Early Nazi

Germany New info on the scheme will be presented. Steve Feller. Fred rightly chastised me for the late notice.

Also, my wife and I are going to "star" in the play Copenhagen. This takes place in occupied Copenhagen in 1941 and involves what happened at the real life

meeting there between atomic physicists Niels Bohr (me) and Werner Heisenberg.

A direct result of the meeting was the Manhattan Project. The details are here:

<http://www.coe.edu/news/143/15/Coe-College-offers-variety-in-2010-2011-theatre-season>

The play will be the last few days of Germany--All are invited. Seating is by tickets only. They are in short supply but still available.

Best,
Steve Feller

Dear Esteemed Editor,
I have a club table already reserved at the 2011 FUN Show in Tampa, Florida.
Club tables are free at FUN Show (not like at ANA's) but I make a donation to FUN as a thank you to them. I used to do the same for ANA's but now they charge me for the table.
I am in my home office right now in Saigon (until Nov 5), so I do not have my FUN paper work handy, and I cannot remember if I specifically reserved a room for IBNS and NI meetings, but I will contact them when I complete this email to check. The Mini-Fest is conducted during the last third of the IBNS meeting and

it is usually at 11AM on Saturdays, and the NI meeting follows it and is often used for some overtime. If Festers and Mini-Festers are traveling to the show for the Mini-Fest on Saturday, should we not have the dinner on Saturday evening so they can also attend it? Just a thought.
I also cannot remember if someone said they were going to make up some MFC for this FUN Show but it seems to ring a bell somewhere in my small mind.
Again, I do not have my FUN folder handy to check. But I will get back to you when the person who probably is going to make the MFC slams me for forgetting him.
For your information, I will be in Vientiane, Lao PDR October 20-23. I will be seeing a local collector and the one dealer couple in the city. And also the central bank to interview a couple staffers and to buy some coins and notes at the bank shop. It does not appear I will be at the military museum in Ban Me Thout in the Central Highlands. They are refurbishing the museum and do not want anyone there during it. So it will likely be next year before I can do some research on Ho Chi Minh Trail coupons there, but I never rule out anything until the last day here in Viet Nam.
The Master Sergeant Daniel

Dear Editor,
I attended the PCDA show in St Charles. It was not a very good show but I attended to participate in the Auction. I got 2 of the National Bank Notes I wanted. George Warner was not in attendance and no other dealers in MPC and other Military items. A few MPC and AMC were at dealers tables but nothing of interest. No Wendell, Joe Bolling or Dave Seelye. The Silver Dollar show had quite a few Dealers and more attendance. I didn't see any Military Collectors that I knew at either show.
George Fitzgerald

Dear Editor,
Thinking back over my last transmission, [slabbing counterfeits] I realized the PMG already DOES slab some contemporary counterfeits - Operation Bernhard notes.

Now all we need to do is attach some operational name to a few of the other contemporary counterfeits.
Joe Boling

Dear Editor,
Kim needs to update the roster for Fest XII. I signed up about two months ago.
Ron Waddell

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Thank you.

Wes Hardy

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Baltimore Convention Center
Baltimore, Maryland
Nov. 4 - 7, 2010, Free admission
Auction by Bowers and Merena
<http://www.bowersandmerena.com/>

Santa Clara Coin, Stamp & Collectibles Expo
Santa Clara, CA
Santa Clara Convention Center Nov 19 - 21, 2010

Michigan State Numismatic Society
Hyatt Regency Dearborn
Nov. 26 - 28, 2010, Free admission
Show info: <http://www.michigancoinclub.org/>
Exhibits, meetings, possible MiniFest

Houston's 54th Money Show of the Southwest
Houston, Texas
George R. Brown Convention Center, Free admission.
December 2 - 4, 2010
Show info: www.houstoncoinshow.org

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Florida United Numismatists
Tampa Convention Center
Tampa, Florida
January 6 - 9, 2011, Free admission.
Exhibits, programs, probable MiniFest
Show info: www.funtopics.com
Exhibit Info: FranLockwood@aol.com
Auction which includes a large paper money sale
Heritage Auctions, www.HA.com

39th New York International (NYInc)
New York, New York
Waldorf Astoria, Admission charge
January 6 - 9, 2011
Should be discount coupon on the
NYInc web page:
[http://www.nyinc.info/
Programs](http://www.nyinc.info/Programs)
Multiple auctions daily
Show information contact
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Yokohama Snack Bar Chits,
by John Kallman

In regard to Mr. Fred Schwan comments regarding the Yokohama Snack Bar Chits, I must have missed the original post or else I would have responded sooner. Sadly, I have nothing to add in regard to that particular issue. However, the following items were also issued in Yokohama as follows:

NOTE: The Colonial Club was located at Yamashita-choNakaku, Yokohama with phone numbers of: 2-4452, 2-4458, and 2-0744. Chits were issued as part of a \$5.00 book as follows:

COLONIAL CLUB		
CHY10-5	5 / FIVE / CENTS	C
CHY10-10	10 / TEN / CENTS	C
CHY10-25	25 / TWENTY FIVE / CENTS	C

NOTE: The Colonial Club was located at Yamashita-choNakaku, Yokohama with phone

numbers of: 2-4452, 2-4458, and 2-0744. Chits were issued as part of a \$5.00 book as follows:

- 2 strips of four 5c chips
- 4 strips of four 10c chips
- 3 strips of four 25c chips

In addition to chits (scans attached), tokens were also used at this location
(Curto number proceed the listings).

COLONIAL CLUB YOKOHAMA / 5				
SC235-5	COLONIAL CLUB YOKOHAMA / 5	BRASS	21MM	C
SC235-10	COLONIAL CLUB YOKOHAMA / 10	BRASS	18MM	C
SC235-25	COLONIAL CLUB YOKOHAMA / 25	BRASS	24MM	C
SC235-5V	BLANK	BRASS	21MM	C
SC235-10V	BLANK	BRASS	18MM	C

Also of note, the 8th Army exchange service produced tokens that were minted by the Bureau of Ministry of Finance Japan during requisition of their facilities from October 1945 to June 1950. Tokens are as follows:

EIGHTH ARMY EXCHANGE SERVICE (8th Army Insignia)		
R109-5	ONE / P X / TOKEN (8th Army Insignia)	NICKEL 20MM C

Next up, On 30 August 1945, three days before the Japanese capitulation, an

80-man contingent of the 304th Signal Battalion landed with the 11th Airborne Division at Atsugi Air Base Japan and provided radio communications with Okinawa

and the Philippines. On 17 September 1945, the battalion headquarters was established in the Imperial Silk Mill at Yokohama and began operating in the ballroom of the New Grand Hotel. Tokens from the 304th Signal Battalion also exist for Korea.

The token use in Japan is as follows:

Sig. OPR. BN. / 304 / E.M. CLUB				
R	-5	BLANK	BRASS	21MM O

I have a wealth of other information concerning tokens, chits and the like issued and used in Japan, many during the occupation. I also have a listing of hotels, and other facilities that were taken over by the American occupying forces, date taken over, and date returned to the Japanese, as well as maps as to locations!

Feel free to use any of this information in the Gram as well as please forward to Mr. Schwan for his use in his works. He may also contact me at this email address for additional information which may be of use.

As an example of some of the other information:

TOKYO P.X. / OR / ERNIE. PYLE / SNACK BAR			
CHT55-5	FIVE CENTS	BROWN	R
CHT55-10	TEN CENTS	YELLOW	R

NOTE: These chits were produced at the Eighth U.S. Army Printing Plant located at Boom Jueo-#1641 as indicated on the chits. Scans attached
[Go to the website for the scans]

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Name three countries who used postage stamps as emergency coinage during wartime.

Answer next time.

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ANSWER TO PREVIOUS QUESTION

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How much money did the Japanese War Claimant Association of the Philippines

- JAPWANCAP - recover from the United states Government?

ANSWER:

The Japanese War Claimant Association of the Philippines (JAPWANCAP) received

0, zero, nada, nothing, nil from the U.S. government.

Ken Berger

ANSWER:

None; the statute of limitations had passed.

Myers

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EDITORIAL

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Howard Daniel has suggested the we (Gram subscribers) get together and place a

full page tribute to

Mel Steinberg in the next edition of Bank Note Reported. Not only do I feel Mel

to be deserving of

special recognition, others have written in to say they would like to be involved by contributing

to the tribute. Fred will take the lead and begin the process and provide us

with the details. The more readers

we have involved the better. Suggestions on how the tribute should read and how

we wish to

sign it are requested. For my own part, I would like to see a photo of Mel,

with his great smile,

as the central theme. I am not sure of the deadline for the next issue, so I

would ask that

readers respond as soon as possible.

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Dear Editor,
Mel Steinberg

It is hard to believe that he is gone. He was over the last 35 + years one of the driving forces in the small hobby of World Paper Money and beyond a doubt one of the major contributors to making our hobby what it is today. As all dealers over the last 35 years, I sold many wonderful notes to Mel and bought many gems that have highlighted the collections of both my customers and myself. I first saw Mel at my first Memphis show in 1979 and first did business with him and got to know him at my First N.Y. International in Dec. 1979. In the

ensuing years we shared bourse tables (believe it or not), meals, hotel rooms and enjoyed poker games, golf games and many wonderful conversations on many diverse topics. We had our differences as all fierce competitors and business associates do but I have to say that the Paper Money hobby has and always has had a group of people who, outside the business wars, share information, friendship and all that goes with these things. My sincerest sympathies go out to Gail, Seth, Jeremy and his two daughters (whose names unfortunately escape me). May he rest in peace and may Jeremy continue the good work!
Ian A. Marshall

Dear Editor,

Mel's passing marks a sad time for world paper money collectors. Here are just a

few thoughts about him:

Mel lived in Racine, Wisconsin (my birthplace) sometime around the time I was born, so I used to joke that he probably knew me well before I knew him. In the

mid 1970s, Mel was one of the first people I remember meeting in our field.

When I was a child, he took as much time as I needed at his table. I was not the only child to receive this treatment; whenever any kids passed his table, I always saw him genuinely interested no matter how tied up he was with business.

Mel had his own evolution with family helping him. First was son Seth, then father-in-law Ray, and for the past many years son Jeremy. I do not remember Seth very well; Ray was a wonderful, kind-hearted gentleman; and Jeremy is globally well known/liked/respected. Mel was front and center at all the major shows and always had astounding material at his table. Our business is often very consuming; it can be difficult to think of someone outside the numismatic realm. At this time, I think of how I knew Mel outside numismatics: as a devoted, committed, caring family man; as a big Yankees and Wisconsin Badgers (yeah!) fan; as someone who I had many discussions/debates with about a wide variety of topics including religion and politics; during the highly infrequent slower times, watching Mel play chess; and much more. Mel has left an indelible legacy and has done so much to improve the hobby for all of us. He will be sorely missed by collectors around the world. Joel Shafer

Dear Editor,
If you saw Jeopardy on 18 OCT 10 you saw that the category for Final Jeopardy was US Currency. The question was " It's the only US coin or bill produced in 2010 that features the private home of a president on the reverse." The answer is the 5 cents coin. The interest to Gramsters is that Fred should be happy that they considered coins to be currency. They gave a clue that the answer was a coin by using reverse in the clue and did not mention back. Of course this would probably only help a numismatist and I do not know that it applied to the contestants as only one got the right answer.

And

I wonder if this VN note from Operation Turnkey in Vietnam might be part of the lot that was stolen from me in Atlanta about 15 years ago. As I recall the notes had a 541 \$5 MPC design. Stupid Japanese car did not lock when I closed the door with the lock down.. I mentioned this to Fred years ago and he estimated the value (4-5 notes, as I recall) would have been ~\$2,000. They were in a picture frame and were taped.

Forget going to Applebees---so crowded, you would wait for hours. I
drove by.
took one look and left!
Nick Schrier
PS Still trying to find a Chinese person to translate the Safe conduct
passes
from WW II I have they unfortunately are Xeroxes. Local Chinese
restaurant
cannot do it!
[Nick - send me a scan here at the Gram and I'll see what I can do.
There is a
clerk at my local Post Office
who can read Chinese and she helps me out on occasion - Ed.]

Dear Editor,
To anyone interested: I recently acquired this town pass for a soldier in
Reims Germany, circa 194?. This is not my area, but would be willing to
send to
anyone who does collect this type. Payment is not required, but
donations to
scholarship fund would be appreciated.
Dean Shelton
bkbcards@aol.com
[The image is on the website]

Dear Editor,
Please add Benny P. Haimovitz to the Donor List,
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Series 471 \$.05 replacement for sale. VG condition. Scans are on the website.

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A complete set of 1943/44 Indian Post Office National Saving Certificates, see WW2R page 226. 5, 10, 50, 100, 500, 1000, 5000 Rupee. The set of 7 is \$225.00 postpaid domestic insured mail I have 2 sets available.
David Seelye,
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Wes Hardy

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Tampa, Florida
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Exhibits, programs, probable MiniFest
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Exhibit Info: FranLockwood@aol.com
Auction which includes a large paper money sale
Heritage Auctions, www.HA.com

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New York, New York
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Series 11, No. 1984 Tuesday, November 9th, 2010

Whitman Baltimore Show Report

This is Paul Cunningham coming at'cha from Baltimore. Good business at the Whitman show, good fellowship, always. We'll have a little shindig in Dearborn. MI, Thanksgiving Weekend, honoring the 50th year for TAMS [The Token and Medal Society]. Kathy Freeland is in the center of the bulls-eye on this one! She's been working hard to get this thing together and she would probably appreciate your attendance if you're in the neighborhood! Paul is doing a seminar on Lincoln tokens and medals sometime this MSNS show [Paul is re-doing, revising and expanding Robert King's Lincoln in Numismatics].

That presentation, taking 29 minutes or less, is only one of several FREE! seminars during the MSNS show. Further, THIS WEEK, in recognition of Veteran's Day and a reaffirmation of the true American Way [reference 2 November, 2010] , Paul will arrange for dinner for up to 10 of our veterans and their families, at a location in southeastern Michigan, on Thanksgiving Day, probably in or near Tecumseh, Michigan. [See your

atlas, near Adrian, Michigan]. Interested? Call Paul Cunningham at 517-902-7072!
Best to all,
Paul Cunningham

I decided to take the quick day trip to the Whitman Show in Baltimore as I wanted to see Howard Daniel who had made arrangements to have some Vietnamese notes there for me. We

chatted for a while and talked about some upcoming presentations, one to be at the Fest (more on that later)

and the other to be in Memphis in June. We decided on some topics and since he had just gotten back

from Viet Nam he needed to leave the show early to recover from a bit of jet lag. After

talking with Howard, I looked over some notes at Daryl Spelbring's table, found a few and then went over for a

visit and chat with Len Harsel. I hadn't seen him in a while and it was good to catch up. I was

even able to add a note or two to my collection. While looking around I was approached by a stately

gentlemen with a brown attache case who asked me if I would be interested in looking at some notes.

There were one or two that were of interest but what I did find was a NEI
Jim
note, a 5 gulden with

block and serial number, which has been on my want list for a while. The
deal
was done and the note now has a

new home. Of course you must have realized by now that the stately
gentlemen
referred to is

none other than Neil Shafer. After Neil and I had some lunch and a nice
conversation, I

went back to the bourse to seek out more goodies. I had passed by Paul
Cunningham's table a few times but he

was always a line and I never got the chance to say hello. I stopped by
Dave
Amey's table and we

talked some MPC and pricing and was there when he had to deal with two
buyers,
both from eastern Europe

whose "numismatic manners" left something to be desired. But Dave, always
the
professional, handled the

situation and made the sales (and a profit). About three in the
afternoon,
about half the dealers had either

left or were in the process of packing up. Since I didn't find anything
else I
was off to the airport.

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Amoy Industrial Bank
There may be more.
Myers

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EDITORIAL

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First of all we have four more sponsors for our tribute to Mel Steinberg: Bela and Ian Marshall, Ed Hoffman, Warner Talso and Larry Smulczenski. That brings us up to 16 participants. Anyone is still welcome to join in and I think it is about time to start putting the tribute together.

I'll rely on Fred to get the ball rolling.

The FUN show is about six weeks away. See the letters from Howard Daniel and Bill Myers in Mail Call. I agree with Howard that it makes sense to have the dinner on

Saturday evening as it is the same day as the mini-fest. Bill Myers will have special pay for those

with a show-and-tell and don't be surprised if there is some type of numismatic item in connection with

the banquet. Last year we tried to get reservations at the last minute and had a problem finding a

restaurant willing to seat all of us at the last minute. We were saved by Judy Seelye who found a

place for us. This year I propose we start the search a little early.
First we
need
some research on what restaurants are available in the Tampa area and
secondly
approximately how many of us there will be. I think the cuisine can be
left
open, save a requirement

that key lime pie be available wherever we decide to go. Anyone familiar
with
Tampa?

Go to the website to see the image of the pass Dean Shelton mentioned a
couple
of Gram prior;
I was finally able to get the picture over there.

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Dear Editor (and Sparky)
Fantastic discovery of them specimen bonds! beautiful samples!
As one collecting Manchurian and occupied Chinese material, those are a
welcomed

addition for reference!
Thanks for sharing them finds!
Neil Kaplan

Dear Editor,
Regarding the question about postage stamps as coins during wartime,
During WWII and into the 60s, the population of the U.S. used postage
stamps as
coinage. Recall this is before credit cards (as we know them today). I
remember buying things by mail or getting refunds and if the difference
was
small, getting or sending postage stamps to make up the difference. This
may
not fit your definition of an official or emergency issues, but it did
happen.
Warner Talso

Dear Editor,
I have contacted Cindy Wibker about getting a room for the MPCMinifest at
FUN
and it is scheduled for 1200-1300 on Sat. I E-mailed Cindy to confirm it.
I will

make notes for the event. I am giving a talk on WWII coins, I do not know when yet. Roger organized the dinner last year and there has been some mention of it in the gram. I would like to see the dinner happen again. I would like to see the questions continue. Maybe you could make a mix of what you suggested. It will mean I need to get off my butt and make up some questions.
Myers

Dear Esteemed Editor,
I have a club table already reserved at the 2011 FUN Show in Tampa, Florida.
Club tables are free at FUN Show (not like at ANA's) but I make a donation to FUN as a thank you to them. I used to do the same for ANA's but now they charge me for the table.
The Mini-Fest is conducted during the last third of the IBNS meeting and it is usually at 11AM on Saturdays, and the NI meeting follows it and is often used for some overtime. If Festers and Mini-Festers are traveling to the show for the Mini-Fest on Saturday, should we not have the dinner on Saturday evening so they can also attend it? Just a thought.
I also cannot remember if someone said they were going to make up some MFC for this FUN Show but it seems to ring a bell somewhere in my small mind.
Again, I do not have my FUN folder handy to check. But I will get back to you when the person who probably is going to make the MFC slams me for forgetting him.
The Master Sergeant Daniel

Dear Esteemed Editor,
The Noble Auction 95 is at
<http://www.noble.com.au/auctions/search?sale=95>.
There are MANY (WWI &) WWII items, and many are regular issue Australian and New

Zealand coins and notes that I have not indicated below:

0795-0809	WWII Australia Internment Camp Tokens
0960-0962	WWII Misc
1004	WWII NAAFI Token
1005-1006	WWII New Zealand Internment Camp Token
1821-1822	WWII US AMC Europe
1823	WWII Germany Oflag Camp

1835 British Military Payment Notes
 1836 WWII British Certificate of Post War Credit, 1942-43
 1883 WWII US AMC Japan
 1885 WWII Japan JIM
 1963 WWII Philippines
 1968 WWII Sarawak Rubber Coupons
 2000 US MPC
 2016 WWII Fiji
 2730 WWII New Zealand Canteen Chit
 2731 WWII New Zealand Troopship Card
 2732 WWII New Zealand National Savings Coupons
 2733 WWII New Zealand Savings Bonds
 3110 WWII Australia Recruit Train Ticket
 3112-3138 WWII Worldwide military club chits
 4440 WWII Hay Internment Camp Cigarette Box
 4441-4444 WWII Misc

It is a HUGE auction and it took a couple of hours to go through it so I
 very
 likely missed some items of interest to Gramsters.
 The Master Sergeant Daniel
 [And also from Howard:
http://www.antiquetrader.com/article/world_war_ii_collectibles_survive_as_living_tribute;

Re Rhodesian notes: <https://www.rarecoin.com.au/category/17?page=6>

Dear Editor,
 Lots of great military chits at Noble Numismatics (Australia) sale of 23-
 26
 November. The chits go off on the evening of 24
 November. See <http://www.noble.com.au/auctions/search/?sale=95&p=1&c=4480>
 Joe Boling
 [Joe also responded to a request for counterfeit examples: I have my
 collection at Fest every year, so there's no problem doing a seminar
 after
 the poker game on counterfeit JIM (and other official counterfeits).]

Dear Editor,
 In response to Randy Poe's OPA request, I have the following OPA tokens
 for sale

at \$1.00 each, includes postage. Also, the ration booklets. All items
 in used
 condition.
 RED: HC, UC, VC, YC, TH, UH, VH, XH, YH, HT, UT, VT, XT, YT, VU, XU, YU,
 TY,
 UY, VY, XY, UX, VX, YX, YV, XV, UV, and a few off center errors.
 BLUE: CC, TC, CH, HH, CT, TT, WT, HU, TU, UU, WU, CV, HV, V V, CX, HX,
 TX, XX,
 HY, YY

War Ration Books used condition at \$3.50 each
 Book One with 3 attached coupons:

Book Three with attached coupons (cannon-tank-ship-airplane)
Book Four with coupons: Spare, Coffee, or Sugar and blue, red, or green coupons.

Starter set: One red, one blue token, one each blue-red-green-cannon-tank-ship-airplane plus mileage.
Edward B Hoffman, PO Box 8027, Spring Creek, NV 89815-0001-27
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Veterans Administration Patch,
by Bill Myers

The VA is distributing a patch to all of the employees who are Veterans.
The
card enclosed with the patch reads as follows:

"The patch is a replica of the shoulder sleeve insignia worn by military personnel who were assigned to help operate Veterans Administration facilities after serving in World War II combat zones. This patch

was worn from 1941 until 1959."

The insignia's design depicts a phoenix rising from the flames of war. It symbolizes the return of a combat Veteran, resuming his place as a citizen of the United States of America. "Phoenix" is a Greek term for a mythological bird that builds its own funeral pyre, only to rise again from the ashes. The symbol, as then quoted by the Quartermaster General of the U.S. Armed Forces, "is representative of the restoration of the Veteran as a new and vigorous citizen free to engage in his useful pursuits."

Shoulder Sleeve Insignia for the Military Personnel of the Veterans Administration on a blue disc 2 1/2 inch in diameter a golden yellow phoenix rising from golden yellow flames outlined in blue. There is a numismatic tie to the VA in that they had chits in 1, 4, 5, 10 cents denominations for the Veterans Canteen Service. The booklet I have is valued at \$1.00 and is VA Form 10-5094 OCT 1981.

An image of the patch is on the website, and Bill, are any available for collectors?

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What was the purpose of the circled letters on Irish notes featuring Lady Lavery (do you remember her first name?) issued during the World War II period?

Answer next time.

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EDITORIAL

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Happy Veterans Day. Today we pay tribute to our Veterans so I hope we all had the flag out and put a little something in the can when we were offered a red poppy from a Veteran. Almost all of the poppy Vets wear a hat replete with their ribbons. I like to look at the ribbons and see where the particular Veteran served. It

almost always results in a short conversation and sometimes a "war story."

I spoke with one Monday with ribbons from World War II, Korea and Viet Nam.

And, this year marks the sixtieth anniversary of the start of the Korean War.

Welcome home to all our Veterans.

At the Gram, Veterans day is also significant because this is the day we change the series number. Today it goes to 12 thus marking the beginning of our twelfth

year of publication. How quickly does the time pass. Gram number one was

sometime in the spring of 2000. The first Gram I find with a date is Gram 44 on 12 June 2000. Initially Grams were just chats with

Fred and others and over the years they have evolved to features and news, numismatic questions, a calendar and even the opportunity for editorial comment.

I don't know how may subscribers there were in the beginning, but I can tell

you that we are well over four hundred today. I enjoy sending out thew Gram, so

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Dear Gram,

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Joe Boling, Mike Crabb, Howard Daniel, Barnaby and all at Spink, Ray and Steve Feller, Ed Hoffman, Harold Kroll, Bela and Ian Marshall, Bill McNease, Rick and Kent Ponterio, Rita and Bill Rosenblum, Judy and Fred Schwan, Neil and Joel Shafer,

David Seelye, Larry Smulczenski, Danny Spungen, Steve Swoish, Warner Talso, Roger Urce and Wendell Wolka.
Thank you to all,
Fred Schwan

Dear Editor,

To anyone interested: I recently acquired this town pass for a soldier in Reims Germany, circa 194?. This is not my area, but would be willing to send to

anyone who does collect this type. Payment is not required, but donations to scholarship fund would be appreciated.

Dean Shelton

bkbcards@aol.com

[The image is now on the website - so I am re-running Dean's letter - Ed.]

Editor's Note:

About a week ago, Nick Schrier sent in images of two safe conduct passes from

the World War 2 Pacific Theater. They were in Chinese and are pictured on the

website. I brought them down to my local post office and asked one of the

clerks who

speaks some Chinese to do a little translation.

The pass with the two persons pictured basically warns to watch who is around

you and that anyone with any of the three patches (China/Burma Theater, 13th and 5th Air Forces) is your friend.

The other pass says it is safe conduct pass and also points out those wearing the pictured patches are friends.

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Overprints

Dear Editor,
Over the past 2-3 months a number of previously unseen overprints on JIM notes have been coming out of the Philippines and are being offered for sale on eBay.
Does anybody have an opinion on these previously unseen overprints? BTW, they

seem to only be on higher denomination notes. I know that none have been on 1
Peso notes, & I do not recall any overprints on notes less than 1 Peso
(although

I could be wrong with this latter statement).

Regards,
Ken Berger

When I read Ken's question I did a little looking on eBay and found a
number of
overprinted notes for the Philippines and it seems there are quite a few
being
offered for sale. Many are what appear to be legitimate JAPWANCAP
overprints but there are also quite a few with overprints that are quite
questionable. I have no doubt that some notes were over stamped with
various
symbols such as stars, sayings, etc by GI's just after the war for use as
souvenirs.
I am also confident that many others have been made quite recently and
are being

offered to collectors. The late CM Nilsen had a number of envelopes with
these
types of notes. Ray Czahor is in the process of sorting
these notes and attempting to determine when they were made. I was able
to
obtained a few and, at this time, it's any ones guess as to their
authenticity.
I do have one set of NEI Jim with JAPWANCAP over stamps which appear to
be
real.
Go to eBay and take a look and let us know what your think.

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denominations.
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Curacao

originated in
the United States?

Answer next time.

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ANSWER TO PREVIOUS QUESTION

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What was the purpose of the circled letters on Irish notes featuring Lady Lavery
(do you remember her first name?) issued during the World War II period?

ANSWER:

First it is Hazel Lavery. The colored circled letters were so that if any notes were captured by the enemy during shipment they could be repudiated. The same function as HAWAII on US notes.
Myers

ANSWER:

Lady Laverys full name was Lady Hazel Lavery. Her birth certificate had no name but her parents called her Elsa in the census of 1880. Later, because of her large brown eyes, they changed her name to Hazel. (maiden name Martyn)
>From 1940 the Bank of England assumed all currency issuing rights for the Republic of Ireland. The Lady Lavery issues from that date onward, during the war, were over stamped with an ETO (Emergency Tracer Overprint). This allowed the British Government to demonetise any issue that fell into enemy hands. The ETO code was stopped after the issues of 1944. The 50 and 100 Pound issues were never issued with an ETO code.
Heather Arthurson
IBNS Perth Chapter

[Great answer Heather!]

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I am not sure if all of our subscribers are getting the Gram. I have had three emails indicating they have not received one or more issues. I was surprised when I did not get any replies to our Veteran's Day Gram, so I resent it and it worked the second time, at least to a few readers. My copy was on time which is how I know the Gram goes out. So, if you

have missed any issues please let me know and I will forward a copy to you. There is one case I need some help with now and that is Jim Aitken's email address. It has been rejected by Yahoo, Binhost and my personal email and I do not know why. Jim had missed a few issues and asked that I send them again. I tried but could not get them through. It is a little puzzling since he receives some and not others. If someone can

please send me his phone number, I'll give him a call and try to remedy the problem.

While I'm at it, I will put in a plug for some features and articles.

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Dear Editor,
The IBNS and minifest at FUN 2011 are as listed below. I was suppose to give a talk but it is postponed until 2012.
11:00AM-Noon International Banknote Society (IBNS) meeting. Room 7.
Noon-1:00 PM MCP Mini-fest. Room 7.
Myers

Dear Editor,
The BEP has announced their card Program.
Thanks to a meeting with the BEP in Boston I lobbied for the \$10 savings bond and they will do this card next year.
George Fitzgerald

Dear Editor,
I do not know if the patches handed out to veterans working at the VA are available to collectors. I will see what I can find out. If you call your local VA they may be willing to give out any extra patches but I do not know for sure.

I will see if I can find out or get more of them
Myers
[Dave Klinger wrote in to say that examples are available on eBay - Ed.]

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New Discovery
by Doug Bell

Karen and I went to Jacksonville Fl for a visit. On the way there we have passed

the USS Alabama many times, but this time we decided to stop for a tour. We had visited other battle ships but this was the biggest. While going through the ship I found a WWII display on WWII war bonds. Im not a collector of these yet but I did take pictures and sent them to Fred. I then called Fred to be sure he received them since me email always gets put into a folder he never checks. Fred got real interested in the pictures. About four days later he called me to in form me of a great discovery. And that the pictures I took were of that discovery. I felt kind of set back as

my intention wasnt to make a discovery that was in Harold Krolls back yard .
For the rest of the story ill defer to Fred Schwan.
Happy hunting

Serious collectors of Bonds will see what the discovery is when they closely view Doug's photos on the website. In conversation with Doug and Fred, and later with Ski, I was made aware of the find and its significance. Ski told me part of the story as did Fred and Fred promised to send in a detailed TWIRR. I expect it will follow in the near

future. Until then, all of our readers who are not bond collectors are at Fred's mercy.
In the meantime, any of our subscribers can feel free to comment.

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always welcome and eagerly solicited. The only requirement is that you also provide the answer!

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Who is the James Wilson on the \$10,000 Series EE bond mentioned by Joe Boling (see mail call)?

Answer next time.

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ANSWER TO PREVIOUS QUESTION

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The American Bank Note Company printed notes for Curacao in two denominations. First what were the denominations and, secondly, what other issue(s) for Curacao originated in the United States?

ANSWER:

In response to the question of Curacao notes, the two denominations most familiar to us are the wartime 1 and 2 1/2 gulden, also a postwar 1 gulden (quite scarce) of 1947. These come with ABN imprint. Not so familiar are the 1943-dated notes of 5, 10 and 25 gulden for the Curacaosche Bank printed also by

ABN. Even less familiar are the excessively rare 1893 and 1897 private issues for Curacao printed by Hamilton Bank Note Co. of New York. The two 1893 issues are 1) S.E.L. Maduro & Sons, 25 Centen. Imprint is Hamilton Bank Note En'g & Pt'g Co. New York. 2) Wed. Willem P. Maal, F0.25 and F0.50. Imprint is Hamilton

Bank Note Company New York. The 1897 issue is Meyer & Araujo, 50 Centen. Imprint exactly as the Maduro 1893 issue. I suppose there was a coin shortage of

some sort at the time, or why else would these issues tend to cluster around the

1890s?
Neil Shafer

ANSWER:

1 & 2 1/2 gulden were printed by ABNC then when Curacao could not get notes from the Netherlands; ABNC printed 5, 10, 25 gulden in the style of the 1930/33 notes.

Myers

Both Neil and Bill answered the question. Perhaps my phrasing was misleading, but the other issues I was looking for were the bronze and silver coins struck in the United States - see page 350 in SB - Ed.

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EDITORIAL

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Please see the calendar for details of the IBNS/Mini Fest meetings at the Tampa FUN Show. Bill provided some times and a room number and I have to assume the meetings are scheduled for Saturday, January 8th. I would ask Bill to confirm this. We still need to select a restaurant and a time to meet. The first order of business is to determine the cuisine. For those of you who are going to attend please let us know your dining preference. It would also help a great deal to have a head count so that we can make a reservation early to insure we all get to sit down. We need the input folks. Please let's not wait until the last minute.

Looking at the calendar you will also note there is a show in Houston next week.

I may have mentioned this prior, but I am flying down to meet Ski and we will drive to the show and meet with Dave Seelye and Harold Kroll who are sharing a table. I have never attended this show before and I am looking forward to the trip. There will of course be a Gram from Texas.

Happy Thanksgiving everyone!

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Dear Editor,
OK, bond collectors. Tell me if this is of any value to you. My mother has a \$10,000 series EE bond issued December 1986. The portrait is James Wilson. It's on a Hollerith punched card, and looks pretty bland except for all the goose

eggs. Present value is \$16032, and it is gaining value by about \$8/mo at today's dismal interest rates (series EE bonds of this vintage earn "market rates" - which means practically nothing right now, 0.6% through April 2011). Anyone want

to buy this bond at its current value plus a kicker to be negotiated for a collection?
Joe Boling

Dear Editor,
Here are some interesting details for the gram on a play I'm doing in Cedar Rapids:
Friends,
You are invited to see the play Copenhagen at Coe College. The dates of the play

are Thursday-Sunday Jan.27-30, 2011. Thurs-Sat will be at 8, Sunday at 2. The play is in Dows Theater at Coe College in Cedar Rapids, IA. Steve Feller will be playing Niels Bohr. The play is about Niels Bohr and Werner Heisenberg meeting in occupied Denmark in September 1941. It is based on an actual event and many believe that the outcome of WWII was affected by this meeting since it led to the development of nuclear weapons. It is a full length play with three characters Margrethe Bohr

(Niels wife, played by Barb Feller, Steves wife), Niels Bohr , and Werner Heisenberg (played by Coe Theater Prof. Dennis Barnett). We think you will enjoy the physics bantering between all three of the characters as well as the historic story behind the famous meeting. Even the Uncertainty Principle shows up in the design of the play!
We have a few special options for you:
Dinner and Theater (with discussion of the play): Friday and Saturday at 5:30 at

the Clark Alumni House at Coe College. If interested contact Linda Givvin at 319-399-8619. The price is \$20 for dinner and \$10 for the play. There is also a Sunday Brunch before the Sunday performance that will be free if

you want to come. You'll still need a ticket for the Sunday performance.
If you simply want tickets call the Coe box office at 319-399-8600. They
are
open during the school day. Tickets are \$10.
If you are coming to any of these please contact:
Steve at sfeller@coe.edu. Steve
Steve Feller

Dear Editor,
I recently acquired two 5 punkte Ostland Fabric Point Notes (Estonia
& Lithuania) from two different sources. They both are unserial
numbered, and
have 1943 expiration dates.
They don't seem quite right. Has anyone else seen any of these notes that
appear
spurious?
George Slade
[Dear George, The first thing to look at are the wings on the German
eagle;
they should be well defined with the lines
being distinct. The note should not have perfect corners. If you can
send in
some scans, it would help as Joe could
take a good look. Did the notes come from a dealer in Lithuania? - Ed.]

Dear Editor,
Thought that you guys would like this. Roger want to go to the auction?
Fred Schwan
<http://www.cherrystoneauctions.com/%5Fauction/results3.asp>
[Dear Fred, Now that you have increased my Editor's expense account and
provided

a credit card, my auction bag is packed and Wendy and I are ready to go
anywhere in the world at a moment's notice!]

Dear Editor,
Here is a curiosity (see attached photos-go to the website) I wonder if
the
Gram has addressed these neat issues in the past? Military vignettes ca.
1871
on United States Internal Revenue "Tobacco Stamps." The 10 lb issue
(\$3.20 tax
paid?) is small currency sized: 155mm X 70mm and the 5 lb issue (\$1.60)
is fractional currency size, measuring 115mm X 60mm. Looks like they
were

mounted at one time on an old-fashioned stamp album or school text.
John Riley

Dear Editor,
Finally! Our Auction 40J which closes on Monday December 13th is now on-line
at <http://rosenblumcoins.com/40j>
The printed catalog is scheduled to be mailed on 18 November, but the version on

our website will have more and better images. Please note that these images will

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Our Fall Auction Catalog usually comes out about a month earlier than this and
is 10 to 20% larger. As some of you no doubt know, my wife Rita had major back
surgery in early September and couldn't work for more than a month and after
that for only a few hours at a time. In addition I spent at least a week away
from the office and many more hours tending to Rita and doing things around the
house which Rita hasn't been able to do. Family always comes before business.

Our World Paper Money section is small as well but is not lacking in desirable
items. Among the more attractive items are a number of rare and/or high grade
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Pick lists as worth \$6500 and a stunning large size 1000 Rupee Indian note of
1938. Our Israeli section is smaller than usual but among the best we've had
in years and offers a high grade carpet note, an "inverted" signature note, a
1948 Anglo-Palestine Specimen set, a high grade 10 Pound note from the same
series, a 50 Pound Bank Leumi note as well as two here-to-fore unknown
Trial Proofs for Shekel notes. We also are offering 10 Palestine Currency Board
Notes many in higher grades including a stunning 1944 10 Pound note in EF!
Bill Rosenblum
[I've had a look at the catalog and the offerings - it is well worth a perusal -
Ed.]

Dear Editor,

Hi, this is Fred Reed. Can you please identify these two MFC notes for me?

I plan to include them in my new Lincoln book for Whitman.

Thanks,

Fred Reed

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[The notes can be viewed on the website]

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Editor's Note: Ray Czahor's report contains a wealth of information, not all of

it of interest to all of our readers, but all parts will be of interest to some of our readers, therefore, I am running it as Ray sent it. Thanks Ray.

Hello Philippine and WWII Collectors,
by Ray Czahor

1. A little belated, but below is a summary of the August 13th Annual Meeting

of the Philippine Collectors Forum(PCF). Although attendance was somewhat light

for our meetings, the educational program was diverse and appreciated by all.

I will have some photos of the meeting on my web site. You can also check the

article by Jeff Starck in the Nov 1st COINWORLD where he detailed David Alexander's presentation on WWII Laurel Medals and their history. Next Summer,

it will be Chicago!

2. I discovered earlier this month that ANA annual club dues for the PCF went from \$36 to \$75. I protested to ANA since we exist with donations, not dues.

But they came back and said those dues could be reduced by \$5 for each PCF

"member" who is a member of ANA. So I would appreciate all of you who have

attended PCF meetings in the past to please send me your complete name and ANA

number in the next two weeks. With your inputs, I will try to reduce the annual

club dues bill.

3. Philippine and WWII Mailbid XIV is in the books with all invoices satisfied.

Final awards were about \$143,000 of which almost \$46,000 was sold by the 27

consignors to this sale--a very successful sale for them indeed. Even some 300

lots that didn't sell by the official conclusion date of 31 August, sold subsequently. All WWII books were sold. At this point, maybe 200 coin and currency lots remain unsold. I will have the final awards posted on my web site

next week:

I am planning for the next Mailbid XV for next Spring. I have received one huge

consignment and several smaller ones already. If anyone wishes to consign,

please ship items to me by 15 March 2011. My charge is still only 15% of the

lot sells, no charge otherwise for listing it.

4. A number of you may have received a 25 Nov email titled "PNAS General

Membership Meeting, Elections and Auction". The following analysis of the situation is provided for your information by one of our collectors who has closely observed the two year PNAS standoff:

Hi, Ray. This is purely the two rebel factions uniting. Nothing more. Both are

break-away groups. The group led by Atty. Willie Villareal is holding the PNAS election of officers for 2011 this Sunday, and is the ONLY one being conducted within the Bylaws of the organization. The countersuit by Atty. Villareal against Bernardo and the others is currently before the Courts.

5. Ken Berger just recently asked about the "strange" overprints on JIM notes showing up on Ebay sold by one seller in the Philippines. It is my opinion these are recent fabrications on probably old notes. If you like novelty rather

than historical interest, that would be the only interest in my opinion.

6. I still have Lyman Allen's last US/PI Catalogue, 6th edition, 2008-2009 available with a postpaid price in the USA at \$25. Since Lyman sold the rights for future editions some 16 months ago, there has been no word on availability.

7. I also have available: "History and Mintage Philippine Counterstamped Coins

1828-1839" by Quint Jose MA. Oropilla Y Fortich, M.D. It is well researched containing original archival documents, many photos, and important information about counterstamped coins never before published. This is a large (9 1/2 by 12

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PHILIPPINE COLLECTOR'S FORUM

8th ANNUAL PHILIPPINE COLLECTORS FORUM (PCF)
AT THE ANA WORLDS FAIR OF MONEY Boston, MA., 13 AUGUST 2010

Ray Czahor opened this years meeting with an introduction about our club's purpose which is educational and our history, the first meeting in 2003 at the Summer ANA in Baltimore. We are a self-supporting ANA club through member/attendee donations. We have a free raffle of Philippine coins, stamps, books, albums, and ephemera at the close of our meeting and most attendees always come away with two or three selections for their enjoyment. In addition special ANACS ungraded commemorative slabs of the event were handed out to all in attendance. They contained an uncirculated Philippine 1966 Ten Centavo. It was later noted to our surprise that some of these pieces had a nice clash of the date (inverted) on the reverse side of the coins. What follows unless otherwise noted, are summaries of notes taken at the presentations.

Our first speaker was Dr. David Alexander of Stacks of New York speaking on Kalayaan, Kapayapaan, Katarungan, Philippine Wartime Medals of Jose Paciano. Laurel Mr. Alexander is a Stacks of New York researcher with over 49 years of study of WWII medals.

Mr. Alexander's presentation was about three types of the Republic of the Philippine Medals, known as the Laurel Medals. Dr. Alexander's references were his hand written observational notes, on a hoard of 150 medals he was privileged to study. Ray Czahor mentioned he had bought about 85 medals back in 1973 and saw some of the differences Mr. Alexander has noted. Another reference was a Numismatic Scrapbook article of 1987.

The Medals tend to be crude and offensively found in poor condition, although usually with minimum wear. The words on the Medals Kalayaan, Kapayapaan,

Katarangan Means Liberty, Peace, Justice.

Major die varieties have been discovered on all three types.

The Japanese attacked the Philippines on December 8th(our Dec7th)

There was lots of destruction in the country in 1942.

Cristo Zamora medal/die maker of much fame made the laurel Medals.

They were made the same size and dimensions as his 1935 Commonwealth Inauguration Medal, which itself is quite scarce in both silver and bronze.

Manuel Quezon was the last president of this new commonwealth with the United

States. David noted that as a result of the 1898 Spanish American war Puerto

Rico obtained citizenship but the Philippines did not. In 1941 the

Japanese

captured the Philippines and took over in occupation of the country. They then

set up a puppet government headed by Dr. Jose Pacino Laurel. He became President

of the Occupation Republic of the Philippines. He was a Yale graduate, Dr. of

laws, and a writer.

The first of the three medal types is dated 1943. It is called the Executive

Commission Medal It depicts a double bust facing each other. There are three

separate dies for the obverse. Each has differences from the back of the Busts

relative to the lettering. There are three thicknesses 3mm, 2.5mm, and 1.5mm.

There is an estimated 2000 minted.

The second of these medals is known as the Proclamation of the Republic Medal

dated 1943. It just depicts the bust of Laurel. There are two obverses. The P

in Paciano is in different positions. There are two reverses, one with three

twists across the pole, and one with two twists across the pole. There is and

estimated mintage on these of 1000.

The third type of Laurel medal is known as the First Anniversary of the republic Medal dated 1944. The Occupation Republic lasted from 1943 to October 1944. Approximately 500 of these Medals were struck.

These are the scarcest type. Some were struck over the other two types of medals distinct overstrikes and double strikes are quite rare?

At the end of the war the Zamora operations were destroyed, and 5700 people were

charged with collaboration with the Japanese enemy.

Thank You Dr. Alexander for your outstanding presentation, we all learned much.

Presentation and summary by John Riley
Theodore Roosevelt Jr. Governor General of the Philippine Islands,
1932-33

History and celebrity can be different entities. They can be fickle. Many people make questionable contributions and are remembered through the years while many true giants are scarcely memorialized at all. Theodore Roosevelt, Jr. was such a giant and he left us a significant numismatic connection to the United States Territorial Philippines.

Neil Shafers 1964 book Paper Money of the Philippines first introduced to the collecting society 1929 Treasury Certificates in one, two, 20 and 500-Peso denominations that bear the signatures of Theodore Roosevelt as Governor General and Salvatore Lagdameo as Treasurer.

The T.R. signature can be puzzling when you recall President Teddy Roosevelt had died shortly after World War I, obviously well before the issuance of these notes. A quick Internet check confirmed that Theodore (Ted) Roosevelt, Jr., the oldest son of the President was Civil Governor in the Islands for just over one year during 1932-33. You may also remember actor Henry Fonda portraying him in a very different role, on Normandys Utah Beach, in the great World War II film The Longest Day.

Ted Roosevelt did follow in his fathers steps, graduating from Harvard and serving with distinction in the First World War as a U.S. army major. He was awarded the Distinguished Service Cross, the nations second-highest military award for combat valor in the Sassons campaign in France. The effects of wounds and mustard gas would plague Ted for the rest of his life.

Turning to Republican politics following the war, Ted soon accepted an appointment as Assistant Secretary of the Navy under President Warren Harding. In a 1924 bid for Governor of New York, he faced cousin Franklin D. Roosevelt and was defeated largely because of Franklins accusations against Ted

for his connections to U.S. senators indicted in the so called Teapot Dome Scandal which involving unfair leveraging of Navy oil contracts. The bitter rivalry between the Oyster Bay Roosevelt and the Hyde Park Roosevelts would continue for the rest of Teds life. With the great rivalry and Teds distrust of Franklin & Eleanor Roosevelts social politics, he would note that F.D.R. Does not wear the brand of my family.

Ted served President Hoover as the Civil Governor of Puerto Rico where he was considered highly effective and popular with the local population. With Hoovershigh regards and hopes to improve conditions in the Philippines, Ted accepted the Manila, P.I. post of Governor General in 1932. It was a short stint and directly proportional to the scarcity of notes bearing his signature.

While in the Philippines, Ted boosted big business, promoting exports to the limits of human production and he was able to complete a pet project of Philippine national parks legislation. He helped pave the way to native autonomy with coordination of the U.S. governments plan for elevation of the Territory to Commonwealth status (which would occur in 1935).

With the election of Democrat Franklin D. Roosevelt as President in 1932, Ted would quip of his family relationship that he was Fifth Cousin ABOUT to be removed!

Returning to the private sector, Ted gravitated back to Army Reserves duty and would return to active duty service in 1940. He wrangled a posting as brigadier general with the 26thInfantry Regiment (Active New York Guard) and was assigned as Terry Allens assistant division commander within the 3rdInfantry Division on North Africa in 1942. Personal leadership styles and conflicts with General George S. Patton, Jr. led to both Allen and Roosevelt being punitively reassigned.

By early 1944, Ted involved himself in the planning for the spearhead invasion of Europe and, despite being turned down twice, was finally able to assure a

personal seat on a Higgins Boat in the first invasion wave to hit Utah Beach on that fateful June 6. The 56-year old heart patient and arthritis sufferer strode ashore that day and calmly took charge amidst the chaos directing units, equipment and placing fire. When asked years later about the most courageous act he had ever witnessed, General of the Army Omar Bradley unhesitatingly stated that it was Ted Roosevelt on Utah Beach.

Theodore Roosevelt, Jr. Received not a scratch on June 6, 1944 but would suffer a fatal heart attack while still in Normandy a month later. He died July 12 and is buried alongside his brother, a WWI Army Aviator killed in action, in Normandys American Cemetery. He had been nominated for a second star and received the Medal of Honor for his D-Day Actions. Franklin D. Roosevelt presented the Medal, somewhat ironically, to Teds widow and the President graciously noted how proud President Theodore Roosevelt would have been.

Theodore Roosevelt, father & son, are one of only two father/son combinations to be awarded the countrys highest military honor (Douglas MacArthur, Sr. and Jr. were the other).

Theodore Roosevelt, Jr., civilian governor and signee of the 1929 Treasury Certificate series: overshadowed by his iconic father, born with clout and a silver spoon, but an American patriot of another age who attained personal greatness.

Thanks John for another excellent educational presentation.

Mr. Neil Shafer held us in suspense as he spoke on A Philippine Numismatic Surprise

The presentation centered on Checks of the Treasury Of The Philippines dated around the beginning of the 20th century. The slide photo shown was of a check with general Lawton in Vignette. It was dated 1899 Manila P. I. Neil said some of the checks he has seen have dollar sign symbol overprinted on the word peso. Some have the peso in words and the peso symbol; others have Dollars in words and the dollar symbol. Some say

Treasury Of the Philippines Archipelago; others say Treasury Of the Philippines Islands. Another type of check is a U.S. depository Quartermaster check. It has the secretary of War under A. Lincoln a William Stanton in Vignette. The one shown was dated 1901. A third type found has General McClellan of Civil war fame in Vignette. It says Philippine Islands and was dated Sept. 30 1907. latest date seen on these checks is January 1910.

Neils surprise was a pair of WWII Japanese Invasion money (JIM) notes, denominations 100 and 500 pesos he found. They were altered with written notes from a Filipino citizen to an American Army officer thanking him and offering the notes as souvenirs of the Philippine liberation from the Japanese.

Thank you Neil for you always very interesting presentations.

Mr. Ray Czahor presented on Genuine VS Fake 1906-S Peso research revisited.

Ray reprised a brief on his 2004 PCF Presentation that was subsequently published in the ANA Journal in 2006. He presented slide photos pointing out diagnostics of a real 1906-S peso. Especially noting the straight serif requirement on the 1 of the date. This came as result of a 1906-S peso that appeared in a recent Heritage Auction, but was withdrawn prior to close due to many viewer respondents counterfeit concerns over the piece having a curved serif on the 1, and an incorrect shaped 9. Much discussion followed.

Ray also presented a report on a PI JIM Rare P113 100 Peso note and metal engraving plate. This galvanized plate was found among C. M. Nielsens boxes of books. It shows four positive 100 Peso fronts, three in one direction and one inverted. The impressions are the exact size of the note that can be placed on it at positioning marks. Since the note itself is very scarce, 3-4 pieces known, the purpose of this plate is unknown. If anyone is interested or has knowledge of its purpose, Ray will send a scan of the plate at your request.

Presentation and summary by Ken Seymore

Ken Seymore Gave a brief presentation entitled Who do I see Roosevelt or Murphy.

How to easily determine the difference between the two U.S. Philippine Commonwealth Commemorative Pesos of 1936, each has a very similar looking double overlaid bust obverse. Each has the side facing bust of Manuel Quezon president of the Philippines under commonwealth in the forefront, but one peso type has President Franklin Roosevelt's bust behind Quezon bust and the other type has the Governor general of the Philippines Murphy's bust behind the Quezon's bust. Everyone tries to identify the bust profile of either Roosevelt or Murphy. Older collectors do better at this than younger ones, as we are more familiar with Roosevelt's photos. Those posting on eBay have many times confused the identification in the listings. The easiest way to quickly identify one or the other without studying the profiles of the busts is to observe the location of the position of the commemoration commonwealth date of Nov.15, 1935 in the field on the obverse. Over the top of the conjoined busts its a Roosevelt/Quezon (RQ), on the right side of the busts its a Murphy/Quezon (MQ). Easy, it takes a split second.

Mr. Wilson Yuloque joined us all the way from the Philippines at our annual PCF forum. He is the President of the Banknote Society of the Philippines (BNSP). He gave us brief summary of Numismatics in the Philippines. There is much conflict amongst the PNAS there with the new guard wanting to take over from the old guard. It was noted and created some discussion about the quality of the grading there. It is deteriorating especially overgrading. This is causing concern of those bidding from here to there in the Philippine club auctions. Some mentioned they have contacts in the Philippines who they trust to check out the coins first before they bid. There were sidebar follow up discussions after his presentation. Thank you Wilson it was enjoyable having you join in and share with us.

Next year in 2011 we will reconvene at the ANA Worlds Fair of Money in Chicago.
It will be our 9th annual forum.

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Answer next time.

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ANSWER TO PREVIOUS QUESTION

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Who is the James Wilson on the \$10,000 Series EE bond mentioned by Joe Boling
(see mail call)?

ANSWER

Wikipedia says that James Wilson (1742 1798) was one of the Founding Fathers of the United States and a signer of the United States Declaration of Independence. Wilson was elected twice to the Continental Congress. He was one of the six original justices appointed by George Washington to the Supreme Court

of the United States.

Also, I wonder if the bond discovery mentioned in Doug Bell's article was that the colored overprint on the bond appears to be gold colored rather than red?

If so, could that simply be ink fading?

David Klinger

ANSWER:

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United States Constitution. A leading legal theoretician, he was one of the six

original justices appointed by George Washington to the Supreme Court of the United States.
Myers

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EDITORIAL

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The eyes of Texas are upon me as I am with Thurski and we are preparing to drive to Houston tomorrow to meet Harold Kroll and David Seelye at the Houston show. We had a great opportunity to talk notes and go over a lot of research that Larry has done over the years on various topics. I even got to try a Texas favorite: chicken fried steak.
Good stuff. More on the show in the next Gram.

Look at Mail Call for some updates on the dinner in Tampa. At present we have eight confirmed.
Dave Frank has provided some websites for suggested restaurants. Howard has suggested sea food which is fine with me. I'd like to get a firm head count in the next couple of weeks so we can make reservations.

For all of us Philippine Collectors please make sure to get back to Ray Czahor with your ANA information.

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Dear Editor,
To clarify, the minifest at FUN will be on Sat after the IBNS meeting. That meeting should not last an hour so the minifest may start early. The IBNS meeting is from 11:00AM-Noon and the minifest is Noon-1300 in room 7. I suggest coming to both meetings but if you can only make it to the mini-fest then show up around 1130. Bring a show and tell and do not forget your challenge coin.
Myers

Dear Esteemed Editor,

The IBNS meeting at the FUN Show is on Saturday, January 8 at 1100 Hours.
The whole program will be military and the Fest will kick in at about 1130 Hours
with Colonel Myers as the CO. I am guessing that the Mini-Fest Dinner will be
on January 8 during the evening. Should we go back to the same Seafood Restaurant as last year?
The Master Sergeant Daniel

Dear Editor,
I usually check Trip Advisor for restaurants when I am visiting a city that I am

unfamiliar with and don't know any locals to ask. There were four that were
rated high by people that had eaten there.
Two are Italian, one is a steak house and one is a pizza place. The links are
www.thelaughingcat.com www.bernssteakhouse.com www.zerillos.com and
www.eddieandsampizza.com
/Put me down for 2 people attending (Julie and I). We are planning to leave
Tampa for Siesta Key after the mini-fest on Saturday but will stay if the dinner

is Saturday night.
Have a great time at the show in Houston.
Dave Frank

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of Franklin & Eleanor Roosevelt's social politics, he would note that F.D.R. Does not wear the brand of my family.

Ted served President Hoover as the Civil Governor of Puerto Rico where he was considered highly effective and popular with the local population. With Hoovers high regards and hopes to improve conditions in the Philippines, Ted accepted the Manila, P.I. post of Governor General in 1932. It was a short stint and directly proportional to the scarcity of notes bearing his signature.

While in the Philippines, Ted boosted big business, promoting exports to the limits of human production and he was able to complete a pet project of Philippine national parks legislation. He helped pave the way to native

autonomy with coordination of the U.S. governments plan for elevation of the Territory to Commonwealth status (which would occur in 1935).

With the election of Democrat Franklin D. Roosevelt as President in 1932, Ted would quip of his family relationship that he was Fifth Cousin ABOUT to be removed!

Returning to the private sector, Ted gravitated back to Army Reserves duty and would return to active duty service in 1940. He wrangled a posting as brigadier general with the 26th Infantry Regiment (Active New York Guard) and was

assigned as Terry Allens assistant division commander within the 3rd Infantry Division on North Africa in 1942. Personal leadership styles and conflicts with General George S. Patton, Jr. led to both Allen and Roosevelt being punitively reassigned.

By early 1944, Ted involved himself in the planning for the spearhead invasion of Europe and, despite being turned down twice, was finally able to assure a personal seat on a Higgins Boat in the first invasion wave to hit Utah Beach on that fateful June 6. The 56-year old heart patient and arthritis sufferer strode

ashore that day and calmly took charge amidst the chaos directing units, equipment and placing fire. When asked years later about the most courageous act he had ever witnessed, General of the Army Omar Bradley unhesitantly stated that it was Ted Roosevelt on Utah Beach.

Theodore Roosevelt, Jr. Received not a scratch on June 6, 1944 but would suffer

a fatal heart attach while still in Normandy a month later. He died July 12 and is buried alongside his brother, a WWI Army Aviator killed in action, in Normandys American Cemetery. He had been nominated for a second star and received the Medal of Honor for his D-Day Actions. Franklin D. Roosevelt presented the Medal, somewhat ironically, to Teds widow and the President graciously noted how proud President Theodore Roosevelt would have been.

Theodore Roosevelt, father & son, are one of only two father/son combinations to

be awarded the countrys highest military honor (Douglas MacArthur, Sr. and Jr.

were the other).

Theodore Roosevelt, Jr., civilian governor and signee of the 1929
Treasury
Certificate series: overshadowed by his iconic father, born with clout
and a
silver spoon, but an American patriot of another age who attained
personal
greatness.

Thanks John for another excellent educational presentation.

Mr. Neil Shafer held us in suspense as he spoke on A Philippine
Numismatic
Surprise

The presentation centered on Checks of the Treasury Of The Philippines
dated
around the beginning of the 20thcentury.
The slide photo shown was of a check with general Lawton in Vignette.
It was dated 1899 Manila P. I. Neil said some of the checks he has seen
have
dollar sign symbol overprinted on the word peso. Some have the peso in
words and

the peso symbol; others have Dollars in words and the dollar symbol. Some
say
Treasury Of the Philippines Archipelago; others say Treasury Of the
Philippines Islands.
Another type of check is a U.S. depository Quartermaster check. It has
the
secretary of War under A. Lincoln a William Stanton in Vignette. The one
shown
was dated 1901. A third type found has General McClelland of Civil war
fame in
Vignette. It says Philippine Islands and was dated Sept. 30 1907. latest
date
seen on these checks is January 1910.

Neils surprise was a pair of WWII Japanese Invasion money (JIM) notes,
denominations 100 and 500 pesos he found. They were altered with written
notes
from a Filipino citizen to an American Army officer thanking him and
offering
the notes as souvenirs of the Philippine liberation from the Japanese.

Thank you Neil for you always very interesting presentations.

Mr. Ray Czahor presented on Genuine VS Fake 1906-S Peso research revisited.

Ray reprised a brief on his 2004 PCF Presentation that was subsequently published in the ANA Journal in 2006. He presented slide photos pointing out diagnostics of a real 1906-S peso. Especially noting the straight serif requirement on the 1 of the date. This came as result of a 1906-S peso that appeared in a recent Heritage Auction, but was withdrawn prior to close due to many viewer respondents counterfeit concerns over the piece having a curved serif on the 1, and an incorrect shaped 9. Much discussion followed.

Ray also presented a report on a PI JIM Rare P113 100 Peso note and metal engraving plate. This galvanized plate was found among C. M. Nielsens boxes of books. It shows four positive 100 Peso fronts, three in one direction and one inverted. The impressions are the exact size of the note that can be placed

on it at positioning marks. Since the note itself is very scarce, 3-4 pieces known, the purpose of this plate is unknown. If anyone is interested or has knowledge of its purpose, Ray will send a scan of the plate at your request.

Presentation and summary by Ken Seymore

Ken Seymore Gave a brief presentation entitled Who do I see Roosevelt or Murphy.

How to easily determine the difference between the two U.S. Philippine Commonwealth Commemorative Pesos of 1936, each has a very similar looking double

overlaid bust obverse. Each has the side facing bust of Manuel Quezon president of the Philippines under commonwealth in the forefront, but one peso type has President Franklin Roosevelts bust behind Quezon bust and the other type has the Governor general of the Philippines Murphys bust behind the Quezons bust. Everyone tries to identify the bust profile of either Roosevelt or Murphy. Older

collectors do better at this than younger ones, as we are more familiar with Roosevelts photos. Those posting on eBay have many times confused the

identification in the listings. The easiest way to quickly identify one or the other without studying the profiles of the busts is to observe the location of the position of the commemoration commonwealth date of Nov.15, 1935 in the field

on the obverse. Over the top of the conjoined busts its a Roosevelt/Quezon (RQ), on the right side of the busts its a Murphy/Quezon (MQ). Easy, it takes a

split second.

Mr. Wilson Yuloque joined us all the way from the Philippines at our annual PCF forum. He is the President of the Banknote Society of the Philippines (BNSP). He

gave us brief summary of Numismatics in the Philippines. There is much conflict amongst the PNAS there with the new guard wanting to take over from the

old guard. It was noted and created some discussion about the quality of the grading there. It is deteriorating especially overgrading. This is causing concern of those bidding from here to there in the Philippine club auctions. Some mentioned they have contacts in the Philippines who they trust to check out

the coins first before they bid. There were sidebar follow up discussions after his presentation.

Thank you Wilson it was enjoyable having you join in and share with us.

Next year in 2011 we will reconvene at the ANA Worlds Fair of Money in Chicago.
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Houston

Not having been to the Houston show before I didn't quite know what to expect. The bourse is moderate in size, about 150-160 tables and, as you might expect, most were coin dealers, but I did see one dealer in baseball memorabilia, one jewelry table, and for you fans of colorful Hawaiian shirts, a rack with twenty or so examples, all in full living color. Aside from Dave Seelye and Harold Kroll's table, only five or six other dealers had any world paper money. Despite the relatively few "pickins" I did come away with a couple of nice finds, even though the two best were from Dave and Harold's table. The first was a Polish note overprinted with a stamp from the Warsaw Ghetto (see SB - page 779). This 10 Zloty example was in very collectible shape and was a note I had not seen prior. My next find was a UK Certificate of Post-War Credit dated 1941-42. This find produced a second example this dated 1943-44. (Ski got this one and completed the set) Now your homework assignment for the next Gram is to look these up in Remembered.

I did spend a lot of time at the table with Ski, David and Harold and we got involved in a lot of interesting conversation and discussion on various topics not all numismatic. The fellowship is always the best part.

The table was busy at times, and Chinese notes were the items of the day. Both Harold and David remarked on the recent popularity of these notes. One buy, an Asian man, spent over an hour at the table looking over every Chinese offering there and quibbling on the price of each note. He just couldn't seem to understand that the prices in the last edition of Pick had little bearing on the current market. Thankfully, in the end, he did buy a number of notes, but not before stress levels were a little elevated. Today was busier than yesterday and we will see how busy it will be tomorrow. Time will be limited as Dave and I have flights out at 3 PM.

All in all a good show.

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CHAMPIONSHIP QUESTION CORNER Questions for this space from subscribers and always welcome and eagerly solicited. The only requirement is that you also provide the answer!

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The homework assignment in the show report is today's question.

Answer next time.

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ANSWER TO PREVIOUS QUESTION

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Who is the James Wilson on the \$10,000 Series EE bond mentioned by Joe Boling (see mail call)?

ANSWER

Wikipedia says that James Wilson (1742 - 1798) was one of the Founding Fathers of the United States and a signer of the United States Declaration of Independence. Wilson was elected twice to the Continental Congress. He was one of the six original justices appointed by George Washington to the Supreme Court

of the United States.

Also, I wonder if the bond discovery mentioned in Doug Bell's article was that the colored overprint on the bond appears to be gold colored rather than red?

If so, could that simply be ink fading?

David Klinger

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Myers

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EDITORIAL

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The Houston venue is very good. The Hilton hotel is right next to the Brown Convention Center which is new and very spacious. The city downtown area is easily walkable and there are plenty of places to enjoy the local cuisine. I know the ANA is committed to Philadelphia and Chicago for the next few years, but consideration should be given to Houston.

Now regarding the Tampa dinner event, we have engaged the services of Mrs. David Seelye, who has the expertise to conduct the research and select an appropriate establishment for our second annual FUNFest banquet. At present we have eight confirmed. I also think we will have the dinner on Friday night which will give everybody who might want to attend the best opportunity with Saturday more than likely a travel day.

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DearEditor

I received two WWII coins I had won on E-bay and they came from a dealer in the

Netherlands. The envelope had 5 stamps on it of which two were of interest to me.
Both are dated 1994. One has a footprint and a sandal on a yellow background and has printed Nederlands-Indie 1941-1945 and the value of 80 cents. The other picture of boy and a girl looking at a US soldier with two planes and 10 parachutes in the background with 1944 Market Garden 1994 printed on it. It has the value of 90 cents. I thought the stamps were very interesting as they related to the contents in the envelope.
Myers

Dear Esteemed Editor,
I cannot remember if I notified you and/or Gramsters about the PhilStamps auction of the William J. Oliver Collection, Part 1 on December 10, 2010. The auction is on their website at www.PhilStampsAuction.com and their email is PhilStamps@Yahoo.com. It is ending soon and I wanted you to know that there are some very nice lots in it.
150.US Military Mail. The WWII section has a cover from COL John R. Vance, Finance Officer under GEN MacArthur sent out from Corregidor on possibly the last PBY to carry mail
182.US Propaganda leaflettitled Common Sense for Japanese to surrender
186-188 & 638-648.US POW Mail
203-209.US Guerrilla Currency with Revenue stamps
635-638.US Guerrilla Mail & Stamps
649-653.US Propaganda leaflets dropped over Japan

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Dear Esteemed Editor,
I recently replied to someonesrequest for a place to eat dinner after thenext FUN Mini-Festthat we should eat in the same place. My mind must have been on thatgood looking woman in the Bank of Lao PDR I saw in October becauselast time we had a FUN Mini-Fest Dinner it was in Orlando and the next FUN is in Tampa! Does anyone live in the Tampa area andknow of a good place for the dinner near the Tampa Convention Center?
The Master Sergeant Daniel

Greetings,
Don't know if I am getting all the grams but haven't noticed my suggestionto

create a listing of all the Communist Chinese banks that issued notes for supporting Mao's movement as these are not listed in SB. There are other local issues of WW II in the Republic areas also that occasionally appear on eBay. As the late Ward Smith said to me during a visit: "there could be a million varieties in Chinese paper money". His catalog was a milestone and many of his listings were never encountered by me but I turned up many that he hadn't seen which were mostly in the small vertical "rice" paper locals. There is a massive 15 volume set of catalogs on Chinese paper money being offered on eBay lately.
Cheers,
Colin Bruce

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Tampa Convention Center
Tampa, Florida
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Exhibits, programs
The IBNS and minifest at FUN 2011 are as listed below. I was suppose to give a talk but it is postponed until 2012.
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ashore that day and calmly took charge amidst the chaos directing units, equipment and placing fire. When asked years later about the most courageous act he had ever witnessed, General of the Army Omar Bradley unhesitatingly stated that it was Ted Roosevelt on Utah Beach.

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a fatal heart attack while still in Normandy a month later. He died July 12 and is buried alongside his brother, a WWI Army Aviator killed in action, in Normandys American Cemetery. He had been nominated for a second star and received the Medal of Honor for his D-Day Actions. Franklin D. Roosevelt presented the Medal, somewhat ironically, to Teds widow and the President graciously noted how proud President Theodore Roosevelt would have been.

Theodore Roosevelt, father & son, are one of only two father/son combinations to

be awarded the countrys highest military honor (Douglas MacArthur, Sr. and Jr. were the other).

Theodore Roosevelt, Jr., civilian governor and signee of the 1929 Treasury

Certificate series: overshadowed by his iconic father, born with clout and a silver spoon, but an American patriot of another age who attained personal greatness.

Thanks John for another excellent educational presentation.

Mr. Neil Shafer held us in suspense as he spoke on A Philippine Numismatic Surprise

The presentation centered on Checks of the Treasury Of The Philippines dated around the beginning of the 20th century. The slide photo shown was of a check with general Lawton in Vignette. It was dated 1899 Manila P. I. Neil said some of the checks he has seen have dollar sign symbol overprinted on the word peso. Some have the peso in words and

the peso symbol; others have Dollars in words and the dollar symbol. Some say Treasury Of the Philippines Archipelago; others say Treasury Of the Philippines Islands. Another type of check is a U.S. depository Quartermaster check. It has the secretary of War under A. Lincoln a William Stanton in Vignette. The one shown was dated 1901. A third type found has General McClelland of Civil war fame in Vignette. It says Philippine Islands and was dated Sept. 30 1907. latest date seen on these checks is January 1910.

Neils surprise was a pair of WWII Japanese Invasion money (JIM) notes, denominations 100 and 500 pesos he found. They were altered with written notes from a Filipino citizen to an American Army officer thanking him and offering the notes as souvenirs of the Philippine liberation from the Japanese.

Thank you Neil for you always very interesting presentations.

Mr. Ray Czahor presented on Genuine VS Fake 1906-S Peso research revisited.

Ray reprised a brief on his 2004 PCF Presentation that was subsequently published in the ANA Journal in 2006. He presented slide photos pointing out diagnostics of a real 1906-S peso. Especially noting the straight serif requirement on the 1 of the date. This came as result of a 1906-S peso that appeared in a recent Heritage Auction, but was withdrawn prior to close due to many viewer respondents counterfeit concerns over the piece having a curved serif on the 1, and an incorrect shaped 9. Much discussion followed.

Ray also presented a report on a PI JIM Rare P113 100 Peso note and metal engraving plate. This galvanized plate was found among C. M. Nielsens boxes of books. It shows four positive 100 Peso fronts, three in one direction and one inverted. The impressions are the exact size of the note that can be placed

on it at positioning marks. Since the note itself is very scarce, 3-4 pieces known, the purpose of this plate is unknown. If anyone is interested or has knowledge of its purpose, Ray will send a scan of the plate at your request.

Presentation and summary by Ken Seymore

Ken Seymore Gave a brief presentation entitled Who do I see Roosevelt or Murphy.

How to easily determine the difference between the two U.S. Philippine Commonwealth Commemorative Pesos of 1936, each has a very similar looking double

overlaid bust obverse. Each has the side facing bust of Manuel Quezon president of the Philippines under commonwealth in the forefront, but one peso type has President Franklin Roosevelts bust behind Quezon bust and the other type has the Governor general of the Philippines Murphys bust behind the Quezons bust. Everyone tries to identify the bust profile of either Roosevelt or Murphy. Older

collectors do better at this than younger ones, as we are more familiar with Roosevelts photos. Those posting on eBay have many times confused the

identification in the listings. The easiest way to quickly identify one or the other without studying the profiles of the busts is to observe the location of the position of the commemoration commonwealth date of Nov.15, 1935 in the field

on the obverse. Over the top of the conjoined busts its a Roosevelt/Quezon (RQ), on the right side of the busts its a Murphy/Quezon (MQ). Easy, it takes a

split second.

Mr. Wilson Yuloke joined us all the way from the Philippines at our annual PCF forum. He is the President of the Banknote Society of the Philippines (BNSP). He

gave us brief summary of Numismatics in the Philippines. There is much conflict amongst the PNAS there with the new guard wanting to take over from the

old guard. It was noted and created some discussion about the quality of the grading there. It is deteriorating especially overgrading. This is causing concern of those bidding from here to there in the Philippine club auctions. Some mentioned they have contacts in the Philippines who they trust to check out

the coins first before they bid. There were sidebar follow up discussions after his presentation.

Thank you Wilson it was enjoyable having you join in and share with us.

Next year in 2011 we will reconvene at the ANA Worlds Fair of Money in Chicago.
It will be our 9th annual forum.

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Mast Stepping,
by David Klnger

I recently found (in my collection) a plastic encased dime which was retrieved from under the mast of the USS Norris (DDE-859), a Destroyer in which I served during overhaul in the early '60s. In shipbuilding, Mast Stepping is a ceremonial occasion which occurs towards the end of a ship's construction [or overhaul]. It involves placing or welding one or more coins into the mast step of a ship, and is seen as an important ceremonial occasion in a ship's construction which is thought to bring good luck. Although the coins were originally placed under the main-mast of a ship, they are now generally welded under the radar mast. The practice is believed to originate from ancient Rome. One theory is that, due to the dangers of early sea travel, the coins were placed under the mast so the crew would be able to cross to the afterlife if the ship were sunk. The Romans believed it was necessary for a person to take coins with them to pay Charon, in order to cross the river Styx to the afterlife and as a result of

this, coins

were placed in the mouths of the dead before they were buried. Another theory for this practice is that the insertion of coins in buildings and ships may have functioned as a form of sacrifice thanking the gods for a successful construction, or a request for divine protection in the future, or both.

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CHAMPIONSHIP QUESTION CORNER Questions for this space from subscribers and always welcome and eagerly solicited. The only requirement is that you also provide the answer!

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BCOF chits issued in connection with the Australian Army Canteen Services were in what denominations?

Answer next time.

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ANSWER TO PREVIOUS QUESTION

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The homework assignment in the show report is today's question

ANSWER:

The Finance Act of 1941 reduced the income tax exemption limit and some allowances and thus greater tax was paid. The extra tax paid was credited to the

taxpayer to be used after the war. They were called Certificates of Post-War Credit. They are dated 1941-1942, 1942-1943, 1943-1944, 1944-1945, 1945-1946.
Myers

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EDITORIAL

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Dave Klinger's ship, the USS Norris DD859 was the sister ship to the USS Fred T.

Berry DD858 in which I was assigned in 1968-69. We too went through an overhaul, ours at the Boston Navy Yard, and I must confess that I did not know about Mast Stepping. We had

quite a bit of work done, mostly aft, but some done on the radar system and the forward mast. Being

a radar repairman I was involved but never saw, or heard, of any coins being welded or otherwise affixed

to the mast. I wish I had been aware; it would have been cool to see what was put in the old girl back in 1944 when

she was built. To look now would take an underwater excursion as she is a reef somewhere south of Key West.

The Naval theme is especially appropriate as yesterday was the 69th anniversary of the attack on Pearl Harbor where our Pacific Fleet took a bit hit. Our first

letter, from Gary Hicks, directly relates to the attack and has a wonderful series of color posters used

during the war to promote the sales of war bonds. You may recall we featured some of these images on envelopes a few

Fests ago having to do with the Fest Post Office. The images are on the website.

Survivors of the attack are well into their eighties and in not too many years none will be left. It also seems that if were not for the media reminding us of

the date , to the current generation it would pass without notice. That would be a shame.

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Dear Editor,

WORLD WAR II POSTERS FOUND

Poster Caption:

I know some of you are too young to recall these posters and WWII, but they

were a part of my life and others who are now "older than dirt". These are great.
I got a lump in my throat when I read this. I "grew up" thinking: patriotism, it is the AMERICAN way! I am glad to see that somebody saved them.
Gary Hicks

Dear Editor,
I just purchased this 10 mark note on eBay and looking at the F mark, well it strikes me as a very poor job of printing or it's a counterfeit. I don't know if the scans I am sending will allow you a good look, if not, I will send the bill. I would definitely appreciate your opinion on the authenticity. I can't believe that it would be financially profitable to counterfeit these, but.....
Thanks
Dean Shelton
[Dear Dean, The note looks fine to me, but I will post it on the website and ask our readers to take a look and send it what they think - Ed.]

Dear Editor,
If the fifteen-volume set that Colin is talking about [listing of all the Communist Chinese banks] is the one I bought last January for \$193, only one of those fifteen volumes contains Communist issues, nothing from the People's Bank and later is included, and none of the local issues with titles like "so-and-so township of the nth district of the such-and-such region temporary circulating note" are included (I just worked on thirteen of those for an eBay seller this week). As Ward said, "there could be a million varieties in Chinese paper money"

(well, maybe 20000). And in the issues that Colin wants to see listed, maybe 10-15% of that - way too much for SB to tackle. SB can never be all things to all people, and listing all of the Sino-Japanese War-related paper of China is one of the things that it won't do.
Joe Boling

Dear Editor,

These advertising wrappers must be an endless series.
[See eBay item # 230526155667]
Cheers,
Colin Bruce

Dear Editor,
Please count me in for the Friday (or whenever) dinner plans at FUN.
Looking
forward to it.
Neil Shafer

Dear Editor,
Several months ago I was supposed to make scans of Neils two notes as you mentioned in the MPCGram. Here are two sets scans [go to the website] of the JIM front and back 100 and 500 Peso Notes. Sorry for the delay. I am mailing them back to Neil tomorrow.
Thank you,
Ray Czahor

Dear Editor,
Our auction 40J closes in one week on December 13th, 2010 and 9 PM Mountain time

It's now time to gather your information and place your bids. While we have numerous bids of well above the estimate we also have an equal number of lots that have modest or no bids.
You can view the catalog on-line at <http://rosenblumcoins.com/40j>
We've added many new images to the catalog in the past two weeks. If you have any questions about any lots or would like to see images of lots not pictured in

the catalog please try to get them to us as early as possible this week so we can do the research and answer your questions.
Best Regards,
Bill Rosenblum

Dear Esteemed Editor,
Who is giving a talk at the Tampa FUN Mini-Fest? If no one, I can do it.
Is anyone bringing MFCs? If not, can they mail them to me? Has anyone found the restaurant for the Mini-Fest dinner? If not, I will walk around the convention

center neighborhood the first evening I am there and find a place, and then tell

everyone about it when they come to my club table and the Mini-Fest. I saw the page in Bank Note Reporter for Mel. Nice! Now I need to know who I

have to pay for my part of it.

Any answers? Any questions? Contact me at HADANIEL3@MSN.COM and the Gram too

so everyone knows what is going on.

The Master Sergeant Daniel

[Dear MSG, Bill Myers was to give a presentation but, to the best of my knowledge it has been postponed until next year. Bill also indicated he would

have MFC - Ed.]

AND

Dear Esteemed Editor,

I found a store on the Internet that sells many WWII and other items. It is

called Flying Tiger Antiques. The page at;

http://www.flyingtigerantiques.com/mm5/merchant.mvc?Screen=CTGY&Store_Code=fta&Category_Code=08hfw

has many "E" and related items that will be interest to Gramsters.

This store is also selling MANY other items of interest!!!!

The Master Sergeant Daniel

Dear Editor,

What Hotel are most using?? I plan on being at the show Thursday 6th Jan until

Saturday 8th, I have to work on Sunday the 9th.

Didn't want to rent a car but will is necessary.

Hope all is well. See you there.

Jack Lippincott

Dear Editor,

I am going to give you the list I have so far for MPC Fest. I am so excited to

see so many Festers calling in advance and making reservations for an exciting time.

Bill Myers not sure about Kathy Myers

Al Glaser

Valerie May

Dan and Kathy Freeland

Fred and Judy Schwan

Larry Smulczenski

HarolKroll

Robert Drew

Brian Giese
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Howard Daniel
Nick Schrier
Ray Feller and MicharlMccloskey (?)
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Brad Schwan
Steve and Barbara Feller
Roger Urce
Dennis Doleshal
David Seelye
John Watta
David Hunsicker
Dave Frank
John Cheney and Laura Guentesberger
Warner and Jane Talso
Mark Watson
Brian Fanton
Jim Aitken(not sure about Ann)

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David Seelye,
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Thanks, Dan & Kathy Freeland

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Tampa Convention Center
Tampa, Florida
January 6 - 9, 2011, Free admission.
Exhibits, programs
The IBNS and minifest at FUN 2011 are as listed below. I was suppose to give a talk but it is postponed until 2012.
11:00AM-Noon International Banknote Society (IBNS) meeting. Room 7.
Noon-1:00 PM MCP Mini-fest. Room 7.
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Ray Czahor opened this years meeting with an introduction about our club's purpose which is educational and our history, the first meeting in 2003 at the Summer ANA in Baltimore. We are a self-supporting ANA club through member/attendee donations. We have a free raffle of Philippine coins, stamps, books, albums, and ephemera at the close of our meeting and most attendees always come away with two or three selections for their enjoyment. In addition special ANACS ungraded commemorative slabs of the event were handed out to all in attendance. They contained an uncirculated Philippine 1966 Ten Centavo. It was later noted to our surprise that some of these pieces had a nice clash of the date (inverted) on the reverse side of the coins. What follows unless otherwise noted, are summaries of notes taken at the presentations.

Our first speaker was Dr.David Alexander of Stacks of New York speaking on Kalayaan, Kapayapaan, Katarungan, Philippine Wartime Medals of Jose Paciano Laurel Mr. Alexander is a Stacks of New York researcher with over 49 years of study of WWII medals.

Mr. Alexanders presentation was about three types of the The Republic of the Philippine Medals, known as the Laurel Medals. Dr Alexanders references were his hand written observational notes, on a hoard of 150 medals he was privileged to study. Ray Czahor mentioned he had bought about 85 medals back in 1973 and saw some of the differences Mr. Alexander has noted. Another reference was a Numismatic Scrapbook article of 1987.

The Medals tend to be crude and offensively found in poor condition, although usually with minimum wear. The words on the Medals Kalayaan, Kapayapaan,

Katarangan Means Liberty, Peace, Justice.

Major die varieties have been discovered on all three types.

The Japanese attacked the Philippines on December 8th(our Dec7th)

There was lots of destruction in the country in 1942.

Cristo Zamora medal/die maker of much fame made the laurel Medals.

They were made the same size and dimensions as his 1935 Commonwealth Inauguration Medal, which itself is quite scarce in both silver and bronze.

Manuel Quezon was the last president of this new commonwealth with the United

States. David noted that as a result of the 1898 Spanish American war Puerto

Rico obtained citizenship but the Philippines did not. In 1941 the Japanese

captured the Philippines and took over in occupation of the country. They then

set up a puppet government headed by Dr. Jose Pacino Laurel. He became President

of the Occupation Republic of the Philippines. He was a Yale graduate, Dr. of laws, and a writer.

The first of the three medal types is dated 1943. It is called the Executive

Commission Medal It depicts a double bust facing each other. There are three

separate dies for the obverse. Each has differences from the back of the Busts

relative to the lettering. There are three thicknesses 3mm, 2.5mm, and 1.5mm.

There is an estimated 2000 minted.

The second of these medals is known as the Proclamation of the Republic Medal

dated 1943. It just depicts the bust of Laurel. There are two obverses. The P

in Paciano is in different positions. There are two reverses, one with three

twists across the pole, and one with two twists across the pole. There is and

estimated mintage on these of 1000.

The third type of Laurel medal is known as the First Anniversary of the republic Medal dated 1944. The Occupation Republic lasted from 1943 to October 1944. Approximately 500 of these Medals were struck.

These are the scarcest type. Some were struck over the other two types of

medals distinct overstrikes and double strikes are quite rare?

At the end of the war the Zamora operations were destroyed, and 5700 people were

charged with collaboration with the Japanese enemy.

Thank You Dr. Alexander for your outstanding presentation, we all learned much.

Presentation and summary by John Riley
Theodore Roosevelt Jr. Governor General of the Philippine Islands,
1932-33

History and celebrity can be different entities. They can be fickle. Many people make questionable contributions and are remembered through the years while many true giants are scarcely memorialized at all. Theodore Roosevelt, Jr. was such a giant and he left us a significant numismatic connection to the United States Territorial Philippines.

Neil Shafers 1964 book Paper Money of the Philippines first introduced to the collecting society 1929 Treasury Certificates in one, two, 20 and 500-Peso denominations that bear the signatures of Theodore Roosevelt as Governor General

and Salvatore Lagdameo as Treasurer.

The T.R. signature can be puzzling when you recall President Teddy Roosevelt

had died shortly after World War I, obviously well before the issuance of these notes. A quick Internet check confirmed that Theodore (Ted) Roosevelt, Jr., the oldest son of the President was Civil Governor in the Islands for just over one year during 1932-33. You may also remember actor Henry Fonda portraying him in a very different role, on Normandys Utah Beach, in the great World War II film The Longest Day.

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The presentation centered on Checks of the Treasury Of The Philippines
dated
around the beginning of the 20thcentury.
The slide photo shown was of a check with general Lawton in Vignette.
It was dated 1899 Manila P. I. Neil said some of the checks he has seen
have
dollar sign symbol overprinted on the word peso. Some have the peso in
words and

the peso symbol; others have Dollars in words and the dollar symbol. Some
say
Treasury Of the Philippines Archipelago; others say Treasury Of the
Philippines Islands.
Another type of check is a U.S. depository Quartermaster check. It has
the
secretary of War under A. Lincoln a William Stanton in Vignette. The one
shown
was dated 1901. A third type found has General McClelland of Civil war
fame in
Vignette. It says Philippine Islands and was dated Sept. 30 1907. latest
date
seen on these checks is January 1910.

Neils surprise was a pair of WWII Japanese Invasion money (JIM) notes,
denominations 100 and 500 pesos he found. They were altered with written
notes
from a Filipino citizen to an American Army officer thanking him and
offering
the notes as souvenirs of the Philippine liberation from the Japanese.

Thank you Neil for you always very interesting presentations.

Mr. Ray Czahor presented on Genuine VS Fake 1906-S Peso research revisited.

Ray reprised a brief on his 2004 PCF Presentation that was subsequently published in the ANA Journal in 2006. He presented slide photos pointing out diagnostics of a real 1906-S peso. Especially noting the straight serif requirement on the 1 of the date. This came as result of a 1906-S peso that appeared in a recent Heritage Auction, but was withdrawn prior to close due to many viewer respondents counterfeit concerns over the piece having a curved serif on the 1, and an incorrect shaped 9. Much discussion followed.

Ray also presented a report on a PI JIM Rare P113 100 Peso note and metal engraving plate. This galvanized plate was found among C. M. Nielsens boxes of books. It shows four positive 100 Peso fronts, three in one direction and one inverted. The impressions are the exact size of the note that can be placed

on it at positioning marks. Since the note itself is very scarce, 3-4 pieces known, the purpose of this plate is unknown. If anyone is interested or has knowledge of its purpose, Ray will send a scan of the plate at your request.

Presentation and summary by Ken Seymore

Ken Seymore Gave a brief presentation entitled Who do I see Roosevelt or Murphy.

How to easily determine the difference between the two U.S. Philippine Commonwealth Commemorative Pesos of 1936, each has a very similar looking double

overlaid bust obverse. Each has the side facing bust of Manuel Quezon president of the Philippines under commonwealth in the forefront, but one peso type has President Franklin Roosevelt's bust behind Quezon bust and the other type has the Governor general of the Philippines Murphy's bust behind the Quezon's bust. Everyone tries to identify the bust profile of either Roosevelt or Murphy. Older

collectors do better at this than younger ones, as we are more familiar with Roosevelt's photos. Those posting on eBay have many times confused the identification in the listings. The easiest way to quickly identify one or the other without studying the profiles of the busts is to observe the location of the position of the commemoration commonwealth date of Nov.15, 1935 in the field

on the obverse. Over the top of the conjoined busts is a Roosevelt/Quezon (RQ), on the right side of the busts is a Murphy/Quezon (MQ). Easy, it takes a

split second.

Mr. Wilson Yuloque joined us all the way from the Philippines at our annual PCF forum. He is the President of the Banknote Society of the Philippines (BNSP). He

gave us brief summary of Numismatics in the Philippines. There is much conflict amongst the PNAS there with the new guard wanting to take over from the

old guard. It was noted and created some discussion about the quality of the grading there. It is deteriorating especially overgrading. This is causing concern of those bidding from here to there in the Philippine club auctions. Some mentioned they have contacts in the Philippines who they trust to check out

the coins first before they bid. There were sidebar follow up discussions after his presentation.

Thank you Wilson it was enjoyable having you join in and share with us.

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A Polish Mystery,
by Jim Downey

A few years ago, I took a flyer on an Ebay auction for an item in Polish. It was not anything that I had ever seen before and since I do not read Polish, I had no idea what it was. All I knew was that it at a value listed on it of 30 zloty and a date during 1944. It sat in a stack of miscellaneous stuff that I had accumulated until recently when I showed it to my new neighbor, a doctor from Poland.

The doctor looked at it for a long time and then said, Its a receipt for taxes or something from during the war. He did not give an exact translation but said that it appeared to him to be proof of a 30 zloty payment towards an amount of 100,000,000 zloty levied against the citizens of Warsaw. He took a copy of it in order to show it to his parents who were children in Warsaw during the war. They were not able to shed any light on it other than to add that they remembered that the Germans extracted payments from the citizens of Warsaw during the war and that maybe this item was related to that.

With that information, I went to check out the website of Canadian paper money dealer TomaszSluszkiewicz who I remembered always had a

good inventory of Polish material. His website is www.atsnotes.com. Not only did he have examples of these items in his inventory, he had an entire page dedicated to telling their story. The Polish doctors parents were correct, the

item I had was a receipt for the payment of a forced contribution imposed by the

Germans on the citizens of Warsaw. The following information is summarized from

the [atsnotes](http://www.atsnotes.com) page about these certificates.

During WWII, the Germans extracted a number of forced levies against the citizens of Warsaw in response to guerrilla and resistance activities. In October and November 1939, the first contribution was levied against the Jewish population of Warsaw.

Three additional obligatory contributions were levied: one in October 1942, one in February 1943 and one in February 1944. Every adult who had a food ration card was obligated to pay towards the levy. How the amount that each person was to pay was determined is not identified. Each person who paid their share of the levy was given a receipt proving that they had paid. The receipts were issued in a number of pre-printed values from 1-500 zloty. More information and additional examples can be found on the [atsnotes](http://www.atsnotes.com) website at <http://www.atsnotes.com/articles/article-contribution-en.html>.

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Answer next time.

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BCOF chits issued in connection with the Australian Army Canteen Services were
in what denominations?

ANSWER:

1/2, 1, 2, 3 yen.

Myers

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EDITORIAL

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To start, Colin Bruce sent in information on some additional items which may be
of interest to our readers.

They are ration related and the eBay listings are: 140486214703;
130461928365;
160518475084; 150530499734

Jim Downey's article points out again that there are still many fiscal documents

related to World War II that are not known to our collecting society. Take a look at the atsnote website. There are color examples and quite a bit of information. I would think that these should be included in
the next edition of Remembered.

We are still working on getting images to go along with the text here in the

Gram. I recently spoke with our publisher who is not only working on a TWIR for the near future but is in contact with "a person of interest" (to borrow a phrase) regarding the image problem. I know we have said

prior that we are working on a solution, but this time it does look promising.

Finally, I think it was Ed Beaman who, about a year ago, predicted that we would

reach Gram 2000 in 2010. Well, that would mean nine more Grams in the next
sixteen

days. It can be done, and I will be happy to send them out, but I would need a
bit of

input in the way of feature articles and letters from our readers.

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Dear Editor,

From the editorial, responding to Gary Hicks' comments about WWII posters:

"Survivors of the attack are well into their eighties and in not too many years

none will be left. It also seems that if were not for the media reminding us of

the date , to the current generation it would pass without notice. That would be

a shame."

Responding to the comment about the current generation not remembering Pearl

Harbor, I am a pediatric Nurse Practitioner in Indianapolis. I was interested,

on 12/7, to have two of the kids who came in to see me, say that they had spent

part of the day talking about Pearl Harbor. One was 7, one 8, in different

schools. There were also several commemorations in various towns around here.

So - at least in this part of the country - Pearl Harbor is well remembered, I

am pleased to say.

Louise Boling

[Dear Louise, It is gratifying to discover that grade school children not only

know about, but also talk about Pearl Harbor; thanks for the info - Ed.]

Dear Editor,

Please add Neil Shafer to the list of those registered for Fest XII

Kim Bartish

Dear Editor,

I have been adding a few illustrations to my WWII propaganda currency article

and recently added two more of those fancy (and very likely fraudulent) overprints on Malayan occupation currency. I would like to add a few of the fake

overprints to my Philippine section too. At one time I had about 30 pages of

photocopied fake OPs from Nielsen. Since I moved south I have no idea where

they went. Can someone send me a couple of really nice OPed notes, maybe
a
"Banzai"

or whatever. I would also like to list the fake overprints. I think I
know about

ten of them. It would be nice to list all the fake OPs placed on WWII
Philippine

currency in one place. Please send a nice scan to sgmbert@hotmail.com.
Thanks
Herb Friedman

Dear Editor,
Dave Frank has a nice article on pages 43-44 of the Winter 2010 issue of
FUNTOPICS where he talks about his experiences at the ANA Summer Seminar
where
he took Advanced Military Numismatics
Myers

Dear Esteemed Editor,
I just came across some OSS Society membership forms and thought one or
more
Gramsters might be interested in joining that society. I have attached
the two
pages [see the website].
The Master Sergeant Daniel

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TWIRR # 60
by Fred Schwan

Boy is it cold here. I have been in denial about winter. I just did not want to believe that it had come, but it has. You have probably seen it on the news. Well, because of that I have been digging out of the white stuff. It is everywhere. It seems that I dig out of some of that white stuff then there is more. Still there is always some good news. In a pile of that white stuff I found some correspondence from the Bank of Canada. It was from 1985! I have found it from time to time since 1985. That was about the time that we were doing the initial research on Canadian bonds (and other things) for WWII Remembered. I got quite excited when I read one of the attachments. It is a copy of a 1947 news release. Here is the first part of the text:

OTTAWA, October 14th, 1947, A milestone in Canada's financial history was passed on October 14th when the Minister of Finance, the Hon. Douglas Abbott, put unto motion the repayment of the country's first wartime bond issue.

Reaching into a hat containing the five different call letters printed on these bonds, Mr. Abbott drew out an "E" which means that all First War Loan Bonds bearing this call letter are called for payment on February 1st, 1948. We knew about these call letters, but I did not remember knowing that there were five letters for each loan! Ah, I had dreams of new listings: A through E for each bond. I immediately went to the Dunn-Freeland-Kroll Canadian War Finance book (a very nice book, I must say that we have not talked about very much here in the Gram). Anyway, I started studying the Victory Loan bonds illustrated for each of the nine Victory loans. Darn, they just did not seem to fit into the A through E scheme. Especially puzzling is the fact that the Victory loan bonds have call letters (an assumption) like L-9. I looked at all of the examples, but could not figure out any system--but I have done that before.

It was only when I went back to the news release did I realize that it was talking specifically about Canadian War Loans--not all Canadian war bonds generically. A stupid mistake by me. Well, this is interesting news about the War Loan Bonds and we can include the five letters in future listings. There is just one problem. We have yet to find a single example of one of these War Loan bonds! I have never heard of one in a collection and have not been able to find any images of one of these bonds. They are one of the great mysteries of Canadian World War II numismatics. I am now studying the other news releases that are in the pile of white stuff that I recovered. I will report more next time (or at least sometime).

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Where is the Bascska Territory and what has it to do with out studies?

Answer next time.

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What was the "MacArthur Constitution" and what, if anything, was issued in conjunction with it?

ANSWER;

3 NOV 1946 new constitution, called the Mac Arthur Constitution, was promulgated, to be effective 3 MAY 1947. This was the theme of the 1946 annual medal which has chicken, chick, Diet building, rays of sun and Japan constitution promulgation commemorative. Reverse has a seeling and date. Myers

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Fred talks about bonds and war loans in his most recent TWIRR and that reminded me that we never got an answer to the question posed about Doug Bell's great discovery at the USS Alabama museum. Some images were posted on the website, but they are rather small and do not make reading the stamps on the bonds easy. What Doug saw and photographed was an over-stamp with a 1943 date on one of the bonds. Now, in conversation with Fred and Ski, it was pointed out that the existence of this particular date stamp was known, but no example had been seen prior and none were known in any collection. My interest in bonds are those of Japan/China, but not so much in those of the US or Canada, but I can see where this is a significant find. I am sure, the next edition of Remembered will have both the pieces Fred mentioned in his TWIRR and the 1943 over-stamp. There are other bond issues for inclusion, Romania and some Indian pieces for example, and no doubt other discoveries will surface. Of interest to our readers would be a more detailed report on any of the issues mentioned.

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Dear Editor and Herb Friedman,
Herb,
If you have not heard from him yet, the Gramster who has been
aggressively
collecting the fake-overprinted JIM notes is the 2010 ANA YN of the year,
Andrew
Keene. You can reach him at andrewkeene@me.com, and he probably already
has all
of them photographed. I may also have a couple that he does not have.
Joe Boling

Dear Editor,
The notification below was sent to me and I thought it might be of
interest to
Gram readers:
The designs for the 2011 Army Commemorative Coins were unveiled Saturday,
December 11th
at the 111th Army-Navy Game in Philadelphia. Army Chief of Staff GEN
George W.
Casey
and AHF Executive Director BG Creighton W. Abrams, Jr., USA-Ret. unveiled
the
designs to
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end
zone.
Click here to view the design of the \$5 gold coin, the silver dollar, and
the
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and the
clad half-dollar
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800-506-2672

Dear Editor,

I rented an older movie that I had not seen or heard about, it is The Good German. The date is 2007 and has George Clooney and Tobey McGuire in it. It is set in postwar Berlin. I am not writing to give a review of the movie but it is about the cover up of atrocities committed by a German rocket scientist so he can be recruited to the US side. It is black and white and a bit slow. My reason to report on the movie is that references are made to German AMC. Toby McGuire makes the statement that AMC marks do not seem to be real money so you do not feel bad losing them gambling and that the Russians have to spend them. At about 17 minutes into the movie there is a scene of a wallet with a folded 1000 mark note in it. The reproduction is good and the left part of the serial number can be seen as an actors thumb covers the right part. I could see the number 285592. I could not see a dash prefix on the note and a leading two would not exist. McGuire is asking the Russians for a bribe of 200,000 marks and says they just need to let the presses run for a few hours longer to make it. At about 42 minutes into the film George Clooney picks up a 100 mark note on a river bank where McGuire's body has washed up on shore with 100,000 marks on it. In the initial view of the note it has a 9 digit serial number beginning with 01 but in another view it has 45563224 on it. Clooney is talking to a Russian and mentions that the notes on McGuire's body had no dash on them so they were US notes, not Soviet. The Russian then goes through a stack of notes he took from McGuire's body and they have started with 01 in the serial number. The notes appeared briefly in the movie but at a quick glance were accurate reproductions but there may have been some errors in the serial numbers. Also, they could have been correct but I could not see it accurately on the shot of the note. The historical references to AMC were pretty accurate and I suspect 99+% of the audience would not know if they were not. I do not know if another fester

reported on this but I thought I would comment on it. Joe is the movie buff so this may have been reported by him.
Myers
[I have seen this movie and mentioned briefly it in a prior Gram. It might be a good selection for Fest Movie Night - Ed.]

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Koumac Canteen,
by Jim Downey

The 30th Battalion, Third Division, Second New Zealand Expeditionary Force was a mixed infantry battalion comprised mostly of South Islanders. The 30th left Auckland on November 11, 1940 for Fiji. Postings to Fiji were originally six month tours with follow-on assignments usually to the Middle East. The start of the war in the Pacific at the end of 1941 changed the mission of the unit and postings to the unit meant being in the Pacific for the duration. In December 1942 the 30th moved to New Caledonia with the rest of the Second NZEF which was assigned the defense of the northern part of the island. New Caledonia had two strategic purposes at this time. It was viewed as the next likely target of Japanese invasion and it was the main supply base for the action at Guadalcanal. The 30th took part in support and mopping up operations on Guadalcanal, Vela Lavilla and other islands in the Solomons. The units most significant direct actions were a commando raid on Nissan Island in January 1944 and action in the assault on that island in February 1944. In May 1944, the unit returned to New Caledonia as its combat role was at an end. It returned to New Zealand in July 1944 when it was disbanded. While on New Caledonia, the 30th established a canteen at Koumac. Chits were issued for use at the canteen. An example of a 25 cent chit can be seen on the website. The entire history of the 30th Battalion in the Pacific can be found on-line at <http://www.nzetc.org/tm/scholarly/tei-WH2IP-Kiwi.html>

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Answer next time.

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ANSWER TO PREVIOUS QUESTION

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Where is the Bascska Territory and what has it to do with out studies?

ANSWER:

The Bascska Territory of Yugoslavia was occupied by Hungarian forces and an issue was prepared by affixing an adhesive stamp to 1000 dinar note of Yugoslavia.

Myers

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EDITORIAL

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There are nine days left in 2010 and we need seven more Grams to reach the 2000 mark by the end of the year. Now Fred has promised a TWIRR and there is one feature article in the queue. If we were to get five more features, and they do not have to be long, we can make it. Perhaps we can get someone to write in and tell us what a "Krollski" is. This term was the product of a discussion that took place in Houston. My hope is that one of the participants, and it should be obvious as to who they are, would send in the particulars with an explanation.

I would also again ask for a little help in updating the 2011 Show Calendar.

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Dear Editor,

Last year Roger suggested that we watch Von Ryan's Express, and I said I didn't have that on DVD. But I definitely remembered having seen it in the past few years - I figured it had to have been on TV. But I ran across it a few months

ago on one of my shelves, and checked my data base again, and sure enough, I did not have it listed. I have no idea how it got on my shelf without being accessioned, but it did. So that's available for next year. And I really don't have a copy of The Good German. It's also not listed in Fred Reed's book about stage money (presumably too new). I wonder where we can find some of the AMC marks that were used for it?
Joe Boling

Dear Esteemed Editor,
I have seen Andrew Keene's name come up and I want to inform you and all Gramsters that he is not going to be involved in numismatics until his mother OKs it. From what I can determine at this time, Andrew is on a "time out" like penalty for a reason(s) unknown to me but his mother has told me he is not currently available.....period.
The Master Sergeant Daniel

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Brazilian Bonds - Financing the War,
by Warner Talso

Funny you should ask. The following is quoted from the MPCGRAM #1097, dated 6Feb04, in my "Financing War" column: "War bonds were issued by Brazil just as by other belligerents. The bonds cite the authorizing law of 5 October 1942. Citizens were obligated to purchase bonds by payroll deduction, a similar

plan had been considered in the USA , but rejected. ... The bonds paid 6%. A

very high rate - why? because Brazil was a dictatorship and had a reputation for default on public debt. Bond interest was payable on a semiannual basis by

the redemption of coupons. Bonds were issued in denominations of 100, 200, 500,

1000, and 5000 Real The bonds were printed by letterpress in two colors with red serial numbers by the CasadaNoeda in Rio deJaneiro on plain bond paper without watermarks. All have black vignette of a 19th century military

scene. An image of a Cr\$ 200 bond is attached. The reader is left to read the entire GRAM column for more information. [Go also to the website for an image]

Financing War

It's time to get back on track. After Newfoundland, I was ready to tackle Canada. However, there is so much detail and good information available that I am having trouble organizing it. So it is on to another country whose participation in WWII has always intrigued me Brazil. World War II had great impact on Brazil. The war effort improved its port facilities, left it with new modern airfields from Belém to Rio de Janeiro, as well as refurbished railroads, stimulated manufacturing, agriculture, and mining, and a burgeoning steel complex. Its army, air force, and navy had gained

combat experience and the latest equipment. Its foreign stature had reached new heights and its leaders foresaw an ever-greater role in world politics. As the only Portuguese-speaking country in the Western Hemisphere, Brazil has always felt somewhat isolated. In WWII, they decided to ally themselves with the USA. A significant reason for declaring war was to unite the country. Brazil had many internal factions. President Vargas correctly calculated that the war would bring the country together. Recall we have discussed the reasons and methodologies for financing war and raising money is only one of them. Patriotism and identification of purpose rank high. War bonds were issued by Brazil just as by other belligerents. The bonds cite the authorizing law of 5 October 1942. Citizens were obligated to purchase bonds by payroll deduction, a similar plan had been considered in the USA, but rejected. Japan also used mandatory system, to be discussed sometime in the future) The bonds paid 6%. A very high rate - why? because Brazil was a dictatorship and had a reputation for default on public debt. Bond interest was payable on a semiannual basis by the redemption of coupons. Bonds were issued in denominations of 100, 200, 500, 1000, and 5000 Real. The bonds were printed by letterpress in two colors with red serial numbers by the Casa da Moeda in Rio de Janeiro on plain bond paper without watermarks. All have black

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In a 1943 reform, Federal Decree-Law No. 6019, enacted on November 23, 1943, set

forth provisions for the payment of external loans in Pounds Sterling and U.S.

Dollars taken by the Federal Government, States and Municipalities, as well as

The So Paulo State Coffee Institute and The So Paulo State Bank. Two payment

plans were enacted: A and B. Plan A preserved the original par value and cut

down bond yields drastically, while Plan B not only reduced the original par

value to 10 to 25%, but brought down yields considerably. Bond bearers had to

exercise their option until December 31, 1944 for one of the plans, or would

automatically be included in Plan A.

Brazil benefited financially as a result of the war. Brazil received of 70% of

all United States Lend-Lease equipment sent to Latin America.

Additionally, the

trade balance was improved significantly. The infrastructure for heavy industry

was installed. Services, such as the airline industry, matured. Does this

sound familiar? These were also factors in war financing in Australia, New

Zealand, and Newfoundland that we have already discussed. Who says war is not

profitable?

In 1945, then 40 million Brazilians had ample reason to be proud of their

country's contributions to the allied victory. Brazil hosted, at Natal, the

largest United States air base outside U.S. territory, and, at Recife, the U.S.

Fourth Fleet. Brazil sent its navy in pursuit of German U-Boats and provided an

expeditionary force and a fighter squadron on the Italian front.

Nevertheless,

Brazil in some mysterious fashion has been lumped in popular memory abroad, at

worst, as pro-Nazi and, at best, muddled. Brazilian diplomats believed their

participation would assure them a prestigious position in the post-war peace

conferences. This didnt happen. As they say, the rest is history.

Brazil's

rejection of further overseas military operations in the Korean and Vietnam wars

is partly related to a national perception that the United States did not adequately appreciate its contribution in World War II.

By the way, there has been considerable interest in having Bond Blast II at CincodeFesto. So far, we have four excellent presenters with fascinating topics lined up and looking for more!. The First Sergeant is attempting to fit us into his busy training schedule (sound familiar?). I will pass on more details, to include a schedule of presenters and topics, as information solidifies.

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Answer next time.

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See the feature article for Warner's answer

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EDITORIAL

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Talk about asking the right question. Warner not only answered the question correctly but provided us with a repeat of the nice bond article from over six years ago. I went back in the archives at the website only to find Gram number 1097 (we have had about 900 since!!) listed but unavailable to view.

Fortunately Warner had his copy and sent it along and in doing so has reminded me that he is listed as a member of the Gram Staff (Fact Checker) and as such could very well be recruited to be a regular feature contributor. We would welcome regular columns

not only on bonds, but on whatever

numismatic military topic he cares to write about. No pressure Warner, but you can start right after the first of the year!

There are three feature articles in the queue and that would leave us three to go to get to 2000. Along with the features I would ask for your comments and letters.

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Dear Editor,
Regarding The Master Sergeant's comments on Andrew Keene's "Timeout" - don't give my wife any ideas!!
Warner Talso
[The question is: Has Warner done anything to cause his liberty card to be revoked? - Ed.]

Dear Editor,
Please add Ray Feller, Barb Feller (Steve's wife) and Steve Feller to the fest list--we've called Kim as well. Don't know about Michael yet--
Steve Feller

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More on WWII Canadian Bonds,
by Fred Schwan

Continuing from last time, the pile of papers from the Bank of Canada
(received
by me in 1985), I am looking at a news release dated March 27, 1950. It
has much

interesting information. First it calls the first VICTORY loan bonds a
year
early. Unlike the War loan bonds discussed last time, the entire first
Victory
loan was called early. Therefore it was not necessary to have a drawing
of call
letters. That is a shame because we do not understand the letters on the
bonds
and a partial call might have explained them.
Here is the key paragraph of the release:
The government, he said, has not in prospect adequate cash resources to
retire

the called issues without a refunding loan. For that reason a new issue will be announced shortly before the time for payment of the called issues. It is expected that the new issue will include some longer-term bonds suitable for general public investment, as well as a substantial amount of short-term bonds.

Mr. Abbott stated that the call and refunding of these issues would result in a

reduction in the cost of interest on the public debt.

The plan was quite simple, force the people to redeem their Victory loan bonds

and pay for the redemption by issuing new lower interest bonds. This is fantastic news. In my sort of twisted view, this means that we have to find some

of these refunding bonds and include them in our World War II collections. Bonds

issued to redeem WWII bonds seem to be WWII bonds to me!

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Where is Christmas Island and what type of currency is used there. And, why was it important in World War II? [HINT: Don't look in S/B cause it ain't there]

Answer next time.

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ANSWER TO PREVIOUS QUESTION

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What are Foedrelandet notes and where were they issued?

ANSWER:

Notes from Denmark with Nazi symbols that may have been used in a canteen at

Danish Nazi party headquarters in Copenhagen. They are in values of 1, 2, 5, 50.

Myers

[S/B mentions that a very good set of copies of these notes were made and that

despite the wording on the notes that they are copies, they can easily be mistaken for originals.]

Bill also sent in an answer to the Brazil question:

ANSWER:

Answer 100, 200, 500, 1000, 5000 cruzeiros.

Myers

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EDITORIAL

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As I put this issue together, it is already Christmas Day for our readers in parts of Asia and in Australia and New Zealand. So my hope for all is to have a very Merry

Christmas, Happy Holidays and a healthy and Happy New Year. I am also want to send out thanks for those who

have responded with letters and features as we try to get to Gram 2000 by the 31st of the

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Dear Editor,

I read that mention on the Canada War Loans of the 2nd WW; surprised that there

are no examples. So I called David Bergeron at the Bank of Canada, who advised

me the Bank of Canada took care of all the redemption of these Loans and that

information is in the Debt Administration Division The next time I am up to

Ottawa, I'll stop in and see if I can get a scan and some information.

Have a Merry Christmas and the best in 2011

Regards

Peter McDonald

Dear Gram,

Regarding Andrew Keene being grounded, that reminded me of the situation at our

local chess club. We have one teenager among twelve or so old men to varying

degrees. The kid is also one of the better players. Certainly he is better than

I am (chess players say stronger--he is stronger than I am). Anyway, his parents

kept him away from chess club for a term because he got a B in advanced calculus.

I thought that that was most curious. It too got a B one time in high school and

my parents were quite pleased.
Fred Schwan

Dear Editor,
Please add Ed Hoffman to the 2011 Donor list for donating 8 CU MPC 541 5 cent errors. Thanks Ed.
Dan & Kathy Freeland

Dear Festers,
I would like to wish each and everyone of you a VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS and a wonderful and safe HAPPY NEW YEAR. I look forward to seeing everyone in March.
Please, get your reservations in as soon as you can; speaking of reservations
please add Rod Hardy and Wes Hardy to the roster for MPC Fest. Thank you.
Kim Bartish

Dear Gram,
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Series 12, No. 1996 Monday, December 27th, 2010

"KROLLSKI",
by Harold Kroll

Sometime this last summer, David Seelye contacted me about taking a table
at the

Houston Money Show the 2-4 December 2010. The table costs were reasonable
so I

told David to book us two tables for the show. While talking to some other collectors, Roger Urce, Larry Smulczenski, Fred Schwan, Doug Bell and others, I mentioned the show and the response was they would be interested in going. Well,

Roger, Larry, David and myself were there with a surprise fellow gramster, Bruce

Potter.

The Houston Coin Club had changed the name from Coin Show to Money Show to draw more dealers and collectors to the show. Out of the 200 plus tables there were four of us that were world paper money dealers with others having a few pieces in their inventory, but the majority had those hard round things encapsulated in

plastic holders. This show was very organized with excellent security, parking facilities and overall hospitality. The free BBQ dinner for dealers was a great plus and a very big hit with everyone. My congrats to the Houston Coin Club.

As the norm for most shows, collectors and dealers walk the floor looking for that one item that has eluded them for sometime trying to fill the hole or gap in their collections. Dealers are looking to add to their inventory and sell all

they can to cover the cost of setting up at the show.

Larry, Roger and Bruce found several items to add to their collections over the

three day show, David and I had a successful show and considering going again next year.

Saturday being the last day of the show and pockets getting spent out put Larry

mulling over some US currency that had the numbers "39" in the serial number. He

commented his cash was low for the trip back home and was undecided about going

after the notes. I told him to go for it so he would not kick himself later for

not getting them. Why the importance of "39", Larry has assembled a very nice

collection of notes and other various items with the number "39". For me, I

collect the number "2", very hard to find many affordable notes with this serial

number.

Off goes Larry to check out these notes and a while later I see him returning to

our table with a wide smile on his face so I know right away he made a purchase.

When he gets to the table, in his hand are two \$1.00 FR notes and he says here are two "KrollSki" notes bearing the serial numbers of 39222293 and 39223922.

One a nice radar note and the other a repeater note. Thus a new descriptive

phrase was COINED at the show, KrollSki".

This is the concept of collecting, collect what you enjoy and can share with other collectors.

To all gramsters, their families and everyone else in the world.

MERRY CHRISTMAS & HAPPY NEW YEAR.

Harold Kroll

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Should your collection contain notes from Courtrai, Ravels or Genck how would you attribute them?

Answer next time.

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ANSWER TO PREVIOUS QUESTION

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Where is Christmas Island and what type of currency is used there. And, why was it important in World War II?

ANSWER:

Christmas Island is a territory of Australia and is in the Indian Ocean and uses

the Australian dollar. It has phosphate mines that were of interest to the

Japanese so they attacked the Island several times. The Indian troops mutinied

and surrendered the Island to the Japanese 31MAR1942. Due to sabotage and sinking of a Japanese ship, not much phosphate was recovered from the Island by the Japanese. The Island was reoccupied in OCT 1945.
Myers

Dear Editor,
Regarding the Foedrelandet notes Championship Question, I am hoping for something definitive.
The Myers got the theory as discussed in SB. However, this is very speculative. Is there anyone out there who knows for sure what these were used for?

I have had a set for a number of years. At one time it was a priority research project. The word "Foedrelandet" translates from the Danish into "Homeland". A semi-strange title for notes. I could find no more information. Further, on the back of these notes is a large set of runes apparently used as symbols of various branches of the Nazi military. I have not been able to track some of these down, as well. Maybe David Klinger will tackle this.
Warner Talso

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EDITORIAL
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Today we have a guest editorial and I think it quite appropriate for the season.

Dear Editor,
Every year at this time of year I think about the Christmas truce which was a series of widespread unofficial ceasefires that took place along the Western Front around Christmas of 1914, during the First World War. Through the week leading up to Christmas, parties of German and British soldiers began to exchange seasonal greetings and songs between their trenches; on occasion, the tension was reduced to the point that individuals would walk across to talk to their opposite numbers bearing gifts. On Christmas Eve and Christmas Day, many soldiers from both sides as well as, to a lesser degree, from French units

independently ventured into no man's land, where they mingled, exchanging food and souvenirs. As well as joint burial ceremonies, several meetings ended in carol-singing, or famously games of football. It was not ubiquitous, however; in some regions of the front, fighting continued throughout the day, while in others, little more than an arrangement to recover bodies was made. The following year, a few units again arranged ceasefires with their opponents over Christmas, but to nothing like the widespread extent seen in 1914; this was, in part, due to strongly worded orders from the high commands of both sides prohibiting such fraternization.
David Klinger

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Dear Esteemed Editor,
I just received my December 2010 (Vol 5, Issue 4) Call to Duty, the newsletter of the Capital Campaign for the National Museum of the US Army. The back page has an article with the image of the silver WWII Army-Navy E Award and a lot of background information about them. The last piece of data in the article is that there were 86,000 manufacturing plants producing things for our WWII armed forces and as of December 5, 1945, only 4,283 received "E" awards. I have attached an image of the page to this email so those Gramsters interested in this can read the entire article.
The Master Sergeant Daniel

Dear Editor,
Please add Brian Fanton & Randy Poe to Fest list; Kim has been called and confirmed.
Brian Fanton

Dear Editor,
Call for Your Fest XII Show and Tell Descriptions
As you know Fest XII will be March 25-27, 2011 at Camp Leo May, Port Clinton,
OH. Ray and I are getting excited.

Last year we had well over 30 marvelous presentations. It is time for you to send us your topics and descriptions. Therefore, please send to us, asap, atsfeller@coe.edu the following:

1. Short Title
2. A few sentences of a description. This MUST include a Military Numismatic connection.
3. An illustration or two (a new feature)--with decent resolution

Again, this year we will produce a booklet format for a program with color illustrations. Best positions in the program will go to those who reply first.

Steve and Ray Feller

Dear Editor,
Are you still writing the MPCGram? I have not received any for a number of months.

Richard A. Ziegler
raz9@earthlink.net

[Dear Richard - Yes we are. I have added your current email address to our distribution

list and you will start getting the Grams with this issue - Ed.]

Dear Gram,
The DEC 24, 2010 issue of the Arizona Daily Star reprinted an editorial from DEC 29, 1942. It is about rationing so it may be of some interest. [Go to the paper's website and look for the editorial as we are not able to reprint it here due to copyright regulations - Ed.]

Myers

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Series 12, No. 1997 Tuesday, December 28th, 2010

About Fdrelandet Notes,
by Flemming Hansen
LM - 190 IBNS

The notes are called "Propaganda-anvisninger" in Danish (Propaganda - money orders/checks) and they were issued in 1942 by the Danish Nazi party (D.N.S.A.P.,

Danmarks National Socialistiske Arbejder Parti - Danish National Socialist Workers Party) to support their newspaper "Fdrelandet", in the denominations 50

(re), 1 (krone), 2 (kroner) and 5 (kroner). In WW2R the "50" is listed as the biggest denomination, I consider that incorrect. It is the smallest. I base that

on the serial numbering system of the notes. The "50" starts with 1...., the 1 starts with 2...., the 2 with 3.... and the 5 with 4.... . This could mean that a "25" (re) was planned and maybe printed with numbering starting with 0.... . It would fit naturally into the value system of 25, 50, 1, 2 and 5. Yet there is no hard evidence of a "25" ever being made, and no known sources mention this. As correctly described in WW2R, the notes are not denominated. But the text on the back indirectly indicates, that it is in Danish kroner.

The reason that the notes are not denominated, could come from previous experience. In 1931-33 another organisation called JAK (their notes are described in Siegpapermoney catalog) issued notes in kroner, and these notes were eventually banned by law. JAK then tried to get around the ban by

issuing a series denominated in "andele" / "shares" . That didn't help, they were banned too. The same happened to these D.N.S.A.P. notes. In September 1943, three men were sentenced with fines for producing the notes, and the notes were confiscated and destroyed. The signatures on the notes are from two of these

men. The left signature is of C.B. Nielsen (Carl Bernhard Nielsen, CEO of "Fdrelandet") and the right is of C. Thomsen (Carl Henry Thomsen, employee of "Fdrelandet"). The third man sentenced, was Claus Alfred Langgaard Nielsen, leader of propaganda in D.N.S.A.P. Yet not all notes were destroyed, in the 1970's the notes started showing up in the numismatic community. And in the 1990s whole sets were sold by coin dealers. Where these notes originated from, no one knows. One theory is that they came from an estate from a nazi, and from there went into collectors circles.

"Fdrelandet" ("The Fatherland" in direct translation) was the daily newspaper of the naziparty. The first issue came 6 January 1939. It was to advertise for and/or support this newspaper, the notes were made. The emblem/logo of the newspaper was/is the viking ship, shown in the middle of face of the notes. The text just below says: For Denmark's honor, freedom and right. If we continue with

the face of the notes, the "50" shows two young people in uniform. They represent N.S.U. - Nationalsocialistisk Ungdom - National Socialistic Youth. It was the youth movement in D.N.S.A.P. The "1" shows the logo of the SA. I am uncertain whether the man in the center wears a SA uniform. The "2" points to something called "lands-arbejds-tjenesten" in Danish. (The direct translation is

something like "land-work-service.") Their logo is shown at the top. It was a department for workcamps in D.N.S.A.P., workcamps in which young people, on volunteer basis, could work for the fatherland and get the correct Nazi spirit. The "5" shows the SS symbol and an SS soldier. The back are the same on all notes. The swastika in the center is surrounded with the value to the left and right. At top is the logo of N.S.U. - the youth movement. It's a solar wheel/solar cross/Odins cross (it has many names), an old Nordic pre-Christian symbol. To the NW is the SA logo, to the NE is the SS logo, to the SW and SE are

the logos of the above mentioned work camp department. The SW one shows the

department logo, and the SE shows the logo made especially for leaders in the department. The bottom logo shows the viking ship, the logo of the newspaper "Fdrelandet". The text below says in English: Propaganda - money order/check).

The word "anvisning" I have found difficult to translate exactly, but the two words, money order or check, are what I think come closest. The text continues:

This Moneyorder/check can be used as payment for purchases in D.N.S.A.P. headquarters and publishing company in Bovrup, district offices, The Trinity printing works inc. and the in the telegram hall of Fdrelandet, and as payment for ads in "Fdrelandet" and "National-Socialisten". ("The National Socialist", another paper of D.N.S.A.P.). It can only be cashed at the head office of "Fdrelandet", St. Kongensgade 40, Kbenhavn. (Greater Kings street 40, Copenhagen).

Some of this text needs explanation:

Bovrup is a small village in Southern Jutland, the home of the D.N.S.A.P. leader Frits Clausen and headquarters of the party.

The village later gave name to the "Bovrup-files" (Bovrup-kartoteket). It was a

membership list from D.N.S.A.P., which was published after the war, by a group

who was dissatisfied that so many former nazis could return to normal life

without being tried in court. In 1998 the files were closed, and only researchers and historians have, after individual permission, access to the files today.

The Trinity printing works inc (In Danish: Trinitatistrykkeriet A/S) were based

in Copenhagen and did the more sophisticated printing for the party. It is

beyond doubt, but not proven, that it was here, the notes were printed.

The headquarters of "Fdrelandet" were seized by groups in the resistance movement on May 5, 1945. They used it for printing their newspaper

"Information"

which still exists today, housed in the same offices.

"Fdrelandet" ceased to be printed on May 5th, 1945 when the resistance movement

took over the offices. It reappeared in 1952 and closed again in 1972. It appeared for the third time in 1993 now as a monthly paper, published to this

day. It is now in the hands of DNSB - DanmarksNationalSocialistiskeBevægelse,

(DenmarksNationalSocialist Movement). DNSB has a homepage, and upon checking it, it seems that "Fdrelandet" is published as an e-paper only. It also looks like that new issues has not come out since 2007. But I can't be sure, as they are not dating their stuff. Only the copyright date in the bottom gives a clue.

If the notes were used as indicated on the back, is not known. Some scholars believe the notes were handed out as rewards for people who had done good deeds for the newspaper. It is also possible the notes were sold for face value at meetings etc. to get funds for the newspaper.

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Bank of Indochina notes were overprinted for French Somaliland (Djibouti). What

were the overprints and how many different ones were used?

Answer next time.

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ANSWER TO PREVIOUS QUESTION

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Should your collection contain notes from Courtrai, Ravels or Genck how would you attribute them?

ANSWER:

They are all emergency local notes from towns in Belgium that were released after the German Blitzkrieg through Belgium in World War II.
Myers

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EDITORIAL

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We have been fortunate, well downright lucky, in that the questions that have been posted have led to two informative features. The first was Warner's piece

on Brazilian bonds.

I had been looking at some notes that I wanted to put in their proper binder in my collection and came upon my reproductions of the Fdrelandet Notes, so I thought it might be a good Gram

question. It is by mere coincidence that Joe Boling recently asked Flemming Hansen to update the information on Fdrelandet Notes for the next edition of Remembered. Then we have Warner Talso asking for some added information on the notes. Next we receive an email from

Flemming. This not only provides Warner with the information he wanted, but gives us all a little peek

into part of the next edition of S/B. Flemming also provided some additional details for introduction to the

section on Denmark:

"The first two lines of page 736 in WW2R I think could use a little more details. Fighting did take place, primarily in Southern Jutland. Denmark lost 16 men and had 20 wounded. The German casualties have not been published, but are thought to be higher, when the number of tanks, motorcycles etc, that was destroyed by the Danes, are counted. The Danish government decided for a quick surrender to avoid bombing of Copenhagen, similar to what recently had happened in Warsaw." Thanks to Flemming and Warner (Joe also) for showing us the Gram working to perfection.

Look at the FOR SALE section for a correction to the last offering of MPC.

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Dear Editor,
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http://azstarnet.com/news/opinion/editorial/article_3d0734ba-396e-5c3f-a93b-72589c49bb12.html

Don Kolkman

Dear Editor,

Re your recent Championship Corner:

There are two Christmas Islands. One in the Indian Ocean and one in the Pacific.

Today that in the Pacific is known as Kiritmati - pronounced Christmas - but before during and after WWII it was called Christmas. It was then part of the Gilbert Group but like Fanning did not fall to the Japanese. It was occupied by the Allies and an airstrip constructed that provided an important refueling stop

for the US Army Air Force during the Battle of the Pacific.
And before someone else writes in, there are also Christmas Islands in Nova Scotia and Tasmania. Dunno if they had any role in WWII.
Dr K.A. Rodgers
mole@maxnet.co.nz

Dear Editor,

I saw these items on eBay and thought you might be interested.
Something different:

Item #:
260711306973 - 1945 Ration coupons
Item #: 260698746105 - 1945 Ration Coupons (Bond dealer, maybe a decent source?)
Cheers,
Colin Bruce

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Japanese Internment Camps,
by David Frank

Racism toward Asians developed in the US as a result of Chinese immigration during the 1800s. Many came first during the California gold rush, then as laborers for the building of the railroads. Congress passed the Chinese Exclusion Act in 1882 essentially shutting off Chinese immigration for the next 60 years. In 1885 the first migrants from Japan arrived in Hawaii. Significant immigration from Japan began in 1890 with a census of 2039 in the US with half in California. 25,000 more arrived during the 1890s and 125,000 during the peak period of immigration 1901-1908 and then 10,000 per year until the Immigration Act of 1924 barred further immigration from Japan. A total of approximately 300,000 Japanese entered the US from the end of the Civil War until 1924 compared to 30 million other immigrants during this period. This Japanese immigration was referred to by journalists as the Yellow Flood. Many of the Japanese were engaged in agriculture and owned small businesses primarily in California (LA area) but also in Oregon and Washington. The Japanese in the US are classified by the following terms: Issei are Japanese born in Japan Neisai are 2nd generation Japanese born in the US Sensei are 3rd generation Japanese born to Neisai

Tension on the West Coast toward the Japanese developed due to Japanese expansion

into China which also strained relations between the US and Japan.

December 7, 1941 Pearl Harbor
Local authorities and the FBI began rounding up 3000 people considered dangerous

alien enemy. 1300 of these were Japanese living in Hawaii and the West Coast. Fear of sabotage and fifth column activity resulted in declaring the West Coast a theater of war.

On February 19, 1942 FDR signed executive order 9066 which gave the military the

authority to evacuate all Japanese from the states of California, Oregon, Washington, and the territory of Alaska.

February 25, 1942 evacuation of areas begins. On March 18, 1942 the WRA (War Relocation Authority) is established with Milton Eisenhower as director. This is the agency that will handle the evacuation and establishment and operation of

the camps. Eisenhower resigned 3 months later and eventually wrote that the internment of the Japanese was wrong. The Japanese were first sent to temporary detention centers from March, 1942 October, 1942. Some were race tracks like Santa Anita, and other were abandoned

Civil Conservation Camps, migrant farms, ranches, and livestock facilities.

From there they were sent to detention camps such as Manzanar, Heart Mountain

(WY), Poston and Gila River (AZ) and Jerome (AR).

Internees began returning to the West Coast January 2, 1945. The last camp closed March 20, 1946. A total of 120,000 Japanese were interred with 2/3 of them U.S. citizens.

Justice Department Internment Camps

Twenty-seven U.S. Department of Justice camps were used to incarcerate 2,260 dangerous persons of Japanese ancestry taken from 12 Latin American countries by

U.S. State and Justice Department. Most were interred at Seagoville and Crystal

City, TX; Ft. Missoula, MT; Santa Fe, NM; and Kooskia, ID. German and Italian

aliens from Central and South America, as well as the U.S. were also kept there.

Seventy percent of the Japanese aliens came from Peru.

The official reason was to secure the western hemisphere from sabotage and to

provide bartering pawns for the exchange of Americans captured by Japan.

In

reality, they were deported arbitrarily due to racial prejudice or economic

competition, not because they were a security threat.

When the War ended the Japanese were left with nowhere to go. Peru would not take them back. A few were sent back to Japan, but the majority of them resisted being sent back. In 1947 the U.S. government finally let them settle in the U.S.

Token money was introduced September, 1943. Workers were paid 10 cents per hour

and, in addition, each family was allotted 6 dollars per month. The tokens could be used at either the Japanese Union Store or the German General Store. Three types of tokens were produced for the camps. The Seagoville camp had three red fiber octagonal shaped tokens in denominations of 5 cent, 25 cent, and

one dollar. The Crystal City had two types of tokens issued. The first are grayish brown in color and round in shape. They come in denominations of 1 cent, 5 cents, 25 cents and one dollar. They do not have Crystal City printed on them. They say Dept. of Justice I & N Service. These tokens were also thought to have been used at Ellis Island. The other type has Crystal City printed on them and were produced in denominations of 1 cent, 5 cents, 25 cents,

1 dollar, and 5 dollars. The 1 cent through 1 dollar are red and round. The 5 dollar token is green and round. These are extremely rare. Some people think that the gray brown tokens are just the red ones that have lost the red coating,

but this is impossible since that have different designs. Seagoville closed June, 1945 and Crystal City closed November, 1947.

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Bank of Indochina notes were overprinted for French Somaliland
(Djibouti).
What were the overprints and how many different ones were used?

ANSWER:

There are two types, one has 2 crosses of Lorraine and the head of an
antelope
in a hexagon, FC in scroll work and two signatures.
The other is a rectangle with "Cote Francaisedes
Somalis/BIC/DJIBOUTI/Cote
Francaisede Somalis in four lines.
Myers

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EDITORIAL

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I was curious about two things in Dave Frank's article. First, was
Milton
Eisenhower older or younger than
his more famous brother Dwight and did Milton have any Military
experience. It
turns out Milton was younger and that his background was in
Education. The next thing was, could I find any images of the tokens
mentioned
in the article. I did a Google search and a search of Wikipedia. (I
should
mention here,
I wanted to check Campbell and Silent Witness but both references are
buried
in boxes somewhere in the basement while we are redoing my version of the
black
hole - I trust one or more of our readers can do the checking and report
back).
Wikipedia has a few sites with information on both camps, and in some of
the
articles it is mentioned that tokens were used at the camp stores and
that these
stores were operated by the internees, but there were no images. A
little more
searching found the website www.tokencatalog.com and there I found some
nice

looking images of tokens from Seagoville and Crystal City. An eBay search did not reveal any for sale, but I would venture a guess that Gram subscriber and token dealer Paul Cunningham may have some additional information on these tokens.

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Dear Esteemed Editor,
I have been shopping for football (soccer to you Americans) supplies to take as gifts to Viet Nam at Godek Rugby (P.O. Box 565, Merrifield, VA 22116) for a couple of decades and did not know that Matt Godek, the owner, was a former Army

Finance Officer. Please sign him up for paid up subscription to the Gram and send it to admin@rugbystore.com.
I gave him one of my two remaining MPC Fest "coins" so I need a couple more if someone can bring them to the FUN Show.
We talked about C-Days for awhile but he got a telephone call so we had to cut off our conversation. One or more Gramsters need to start corresponding with Matt and asking him about what he remembers about MPC and C-Days!
The Master Sergeant Daniel
[Dear Howard, Matt Godek has been added to our subscriber list - Ed.]

Dear Editor,
I was looking through my old correspondence from the American collector C.M. Nielsen, and he was very happy that one of the names on the "banknotes" was the same as his. In my write up I mention some of the prices these items originally sold for.
Herb Friedman

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CHRISTMAS SURPRISE: \$22,000 IN BONDS FOUND IN RECYCLING BIN
This story from Burlington, KY should make everyone a little more
cautious about

throwing stuff away. -Editor [Wayne Homren]

The bin had been sitting at Blue Grass Recycling in Burlington for
months, maybe

even years, before Mike Rodgers started hand sorting the contents,
looking
for recyclable materials.
As he looked in the bottom, Rodgers noticed some unusual pieces of paper.
I wasnt sure what it was, Rodgers said. At first it kind of looked like
money.
The papers turned out to be 23 U.S. Savings Bonds in denominations
ranging from
\$50 to \$500. Rodgers, 46, researched the bonds online and determined they
were
unredeemed and still valid. Not only had the bonds matured since they had
been
purchased in

1971, they had earned quite a bit of interest and were now worth \$22,000.
I have to admit, that surprised me a little bit, he said.
It took about a week of online research for Rodgers to find the son of
the
deceased Northern Kentucky woman who had originally purchased the bonds.
And
that search resulted in a Christmas surprise for a Florida man.

Robert Roberts, the son of Martha Dobbins, had no idea his mother had accumulated the bonds.

I was totally surprised, Roberts said. I had taken care of my mother for several years before she died and she never mentioned anything about any bonds.

Speaking by phone from his home, Roberts admits he was puzzled when he got the call.

I told him that we had lived in Fort Wright and the day my mother had passed

and I heard someone, who I found out later was Lisa scream yes in the background. Thats when he told me about the bonds.

The bonds were shipped out Friday and Roberts received them Saturday afternoon.

Guy Witte, owner of Blue Grass Recycling, said Rodgers went above and beyond to track Roberts down.

He deserves all of the credit for this, Witte said. He did this at home on

his own time.

Its not clear exactly how the bonds wound up in the container, but most likely

the person who bought Martha Dobbins home dumped them in with scraps that ultimately wound up at the recycling center.

Roberts, who is 82, said he tried to compensate Rodgers, but Rodgers turned him down.

To read the complete article, see: Recycling bin yields Christmas surprise (news.cincinnati.com/article/20101220/NEWS0103/312190021/1196/NEWS/Recycle-bin-yields-surprise)

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How many series of Lottery Tickets are know from Malaya and who were the sponsors?

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ANSWER:

The signature was changed from treasurer to financial secretary with the
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1942 issue and the 5 pound note was introduced with this issue, it was
last
issued with the 1927 notes.
PS Silent Witness has a picture of one of the tokens fro Crystal City on
page
139 and one from Seagoville on page 140. Campbell has Crystal City listed
on
page 187 (2nd ed.) but no pictures. I could not find Seagoville.
Myers

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EDITORIAL

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The first letter in Mail Call poses an interesting question that has an
indirect

connection to numismatics. If there were no Internment Camps there would
have
been no tokens. Brian asks for thoughts on his comment.

Today's feature reminded me of a TV ad I saw for the show Antiques
Roadshow
where all sorts of untold treasures are to be found in everyday items. I
would
think

that the vast majority of the items brought into the show are of
sentimental
rather than of material or

antique value. In the feature, Mike Rogers experienced what all
collectors dream
about:

finding a cache of valuables. In this case, Mike did the right thing by
finding the real owner

and returning the bonds.
Good for him!

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Dear Editor,
Excellent article on the internment of Japanese in the United States
during
WWII, which was a tragedy no doubt, but I think it would have been better
balanced if the author had also talked more about Japanese espionage and
sabotage activity in North and South America. Such activity was no

justification for internment, but I think it would have given the reader a better perspective of why the US responded as it did. Thoughts?
Brian Ostro
wingedliberty@yahoo.com

Dear Esteemed Editor,
As many Gramsters know I have been volunteering to man a club table at four or five major shows/conventions per year. The first organization I represented was Numismatics International (NI), and then I quickly added the International Bank Note Society (IBNS). Several other organizations like the Philippine Collectors Forum (PCF), Chopmark Collectors Club (CCC), MPC Gram & Fest, Numismatic Bibliomania Society (NBS) and ThePostal Order Society (POS) were added over a couple of years.
In the past, my wife has given me three different dates of her retirement, and about a year ago, she gave me a fourth. This latter date seems to be sticking because she will be completing a multi-year project involving the merger of the American Stock Exchange (ASE) and New York Stock Exchange (NYSE) computers and softwares in the summer of 2012. If this date holds, we will start living the cold six months of the year in Viet Nam from about Oct 1, 2012 to about Apr 1, 2013, and the warm six months in Virginia.
These dates will eliminate me setting up my club table at the annual FUN Show in January and the usually in March ANA Show. But it appears I will be attend the annual summer FUN Show and the September ANA Show! Is there anyone out there who is interested in manning a club table at the annual FUN Show in January and the usually in March ANA Show starting in 2013? If so, I will make arrangements for you to have the supplies necessary to set up a club table.
Many years ago, I decided to attend every other MPC Fest. But when my wife started talking about really, really, really retiring in 2012, I decided to attend every year up to and including 2012. Please do not Kim about this because she might think I will never see her again, but I am expecting to be driving near Port Clinton on my way to the April Chicago international shows and

the ANAs there in the late summer. Maybe I might even take the time to bother
Fred too. We shall see.
The Master Sergeant Daniel

Dear Editor,
I read with great interest, Flemming Hansen's discourse on Fdrelandet Notes.
An excellent explanation. This is what makes the GRAM so valuable, the sharing
of information. Thank you, Flemming Hansen.
Given the interest in the Fdrelandet Notes, I
thought our fellow Gramsters would like to see what the look like. I
have
attached images of the front of the four notes
and one image of the back. The backs are all the same except for the
color and
the denomination. [Got to the website for the images - Ed.]
Warner Talso

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Memphis, TN

June 10,12, 2011

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Fest Presentations,
by Steve and Ray Feller

Education Officers

As you know Fest XII will be March 25-27, 2011 at Camp Leo May in Port Clinton,

OH. Ray and I already are getting excited.

Last year we had well over 30 marvelous presentations. It is time for you to

send us your topics and descriptions. Therefore, please send to us, asap, atsfeller@coe.edu the following:

1. Short Title
2. A few sentences of a description. This MUST include a Military Numismatic connection.
3. A jpeg or tiff file of an illustration or two--with decent resolution

Here is an example:

An Original Wallet from Two Internment Camps on the Isle of Man

Steve Feller

A recent purchase on eBay yielded a true jackpot. I bought an original wallet

from an Italian occupant of the Palace and Onchan Internment Camps on the Isle

of Man. The power-point presentation will feature the wallet and its four internment camp notes folded just to fit in the wallet perfectly!--two

Palace notes (including an unreported denomination) and two home office notes

used at Onchan. The wallet yielded other tasty treasures as well as I will

show. The wallet itself is obviously homemade; perhaps in one of the camps. Some background on the Isle of Man camps will be given as well to round

out the talk.

Again, this year we will produce a booklet format for a program with color

illustrations. Best positions in the program will go to those who reply first.

Questions?

Editor's note:

As per Steve Feller's suggestion we will put the title and speaker in the Fest

portion of the 2011 Calendar.

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CHAMPIONSHIP QUESTION CORNER Questions for this space from subscribers and always welcome and eagerly solicited. The only requirement is that you also

provide the answer!

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For the last one of 2010 I'll make it easy; Bill won't even have to look this one up.

How many series of MPC are there?

Answer next time.

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ANSWER TO PREVIOUS QUESTION

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How many series of Lottery Tickets are known from Malaya and who were the sponsors?

ANSWER:

Three series, two sponsored by the Military Government Office (SyonanShoken & KonanSaiken) and one state issue (KoaSaiken) Myers

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EDITORIAL

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Here it is the last day of 2010 and we have reached Gram 2000! I consider it a milestone and I would like to thank all of you who sent in articles and letters to make this

possible. I am glad to have been able to participate and I am sure our esteemed publisher will

have a comment. What this effort shows is that there are subscribers out there who are willing

to send in features and comments on a regular basis. It need not be weekly, but a couple of times

during the month. If we have a cadre of columnists, there is no pressure to get an article written

on a tight schedule. So for 2011, let us continue.

The next Gram will be on Monday January 3rd, 2011

HAPPY NEW YEAR TO ALL

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Dear Editor and Steve:

I will do a presentation on WWII era checks at the Fest. I will send a short write up and a scan over the weekend. I don't know who is dealing with exhibits

(does anyone?) but I will have an exhibit on British WWI Service Medals.
Jim Downey

[Joe Boiling is exhibit chairman - Ed.]

Dear Gram,

I visited the Palm Springs Air Museum. There was a variety of artifacts and of course aircraft, including a B-25 and B-17. Numismatically there were a few items. Two cases had a few notes, some were prewar and some from the war period.

There was a case with ration items and bond items. There was a \$25 war bond.

Another exhibit was a tribute to Bob Hope and his USO tours. There was trench

art with an ashtray and three bracelets given to Bob Hope in 1944. The American

Volunteer Group(Flying Tigers) has an exhibit and there were two jackets with blood chits on the back and a blood chit that was a short snorter.

There

was a British blood chit from Burma that had a peacock on it. There were 2

machines to elongate cents. One machine offered the ability to select 4 different types of aircraft on the cents, the other machine only had one selection and it was a B-17. There is a discount for retired military and active

duty and their families are free.

Myers

[Go to he website to see some photos taken by Bill - Ed.]

Dear Editor,

I'm on a roll. I have another question for Gramsters stimulated by Kerry Rodger's comment about islands in the Pacific that were occupied by the Allies

in WWII for air strips and refueling stops. When I was researching Fanning

Island notes, there was a comment about a couple of US Army radio operators on

the island and that they were part of a larger communications network.
It
implied that the US Army had small contingents of radio operators on many
(?)
islands in the Pacific to ensure adequate continuous communications. A
logical
need at the time. Does anyone know any more about this program, if it
existed?
Warner Talso

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SHOW CALENDAR - 2011

Florida United Numismatists
Tampa Convention Center
Tampa, Florida

January 6 - 9, 2011, Free admission.

Exhibits, programs

The IBNS and minifest at FUN 2011 are as listed below. I was suppose to give a

talk but it is postponed until 2012.

11:00AM-Noon International Banknote Society (IBNS) meeting. Room 7.

Noon-1:00 PM MCP Mini-fest. Room 7.

Fest Banquet - Details to be announced

Show info: www.funtopics.com

Exhibit Info: FranLockwood@aol.com

Auction which includes a large paper money sale

Heritage Auctions, www.HA.com

39th New York International (NYInc)

New York, New York

Waldorf Astoria, Admission charge

January 6 - 9, 2011

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NYInc web page:

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Programs

Multiple auctions daily

Show information contact

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